



Higgs @ LHC

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Outline

Introduction

Higgs Phenomenology at the LHC (covered by the talk of R. Harlander)

Experimental Setup (covered by the talks of P. Jenni and C.E. Wulz)

SM Higgs Searches (benchmark analyses)

$H \rightarrow ZZ^*$

$H \rightarrow WW^*$

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

VBF

$ttH(H \rightarrow bb)$

Additional MSSM Higgs Searches

Example: $H/A \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$, $H/A \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

Higgs properties

Mass, couplings, ...

Conclusions

Introduction

- The Standard Model of elementary particles answers many of the questions of the structure and stability of matter and is in excellent agreement with all the measurements performed so far.
- The experimental observation however, of one (or several) Higgs bosons will be fundamental to understand the mechanism of electroweak symmetry-breaking and may probe physics beyond the SM
- LHC offers the potential for such a discovery
- There is a very rich variety of search channels for the discovery of the SM Higgs and even more for the non-SM Higgs bosons. An overview **only** of the most relevant channels will be given in this talk
- It must be stated from the beginning that the “all hadronic” states are impossible to separate from the background and very difficult to be triggered

Material used from ATLAS and CMS TDRs unless stated differently.

ATLAS TDR 15, CERN/LHCC 99-15

CMS TDR 8, CERN/LHCC 2006-021

ATLAS new sensitivity studies are ongoing

Introduction II

The methodology used in a variety of very different analyses is common in many aspects and can be outlined as following:

- Define the study to be performed based on phenomenological aspects of the procedure
- Find the observables that carry most of the information concerning the particular study
- Optimize the application of the selection criteria using these observables
- Use optimized selection methods that exploit the information carried by the observables (*Usually give better performance but also more dependent on MC*)
- Define the strategy to control systematic uncertainties from the real data themselves
- **Very good understanding of the detector is mandatory**

LHC Environment

p-p collisions $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV

Low luminosity $\sim 10^{33} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

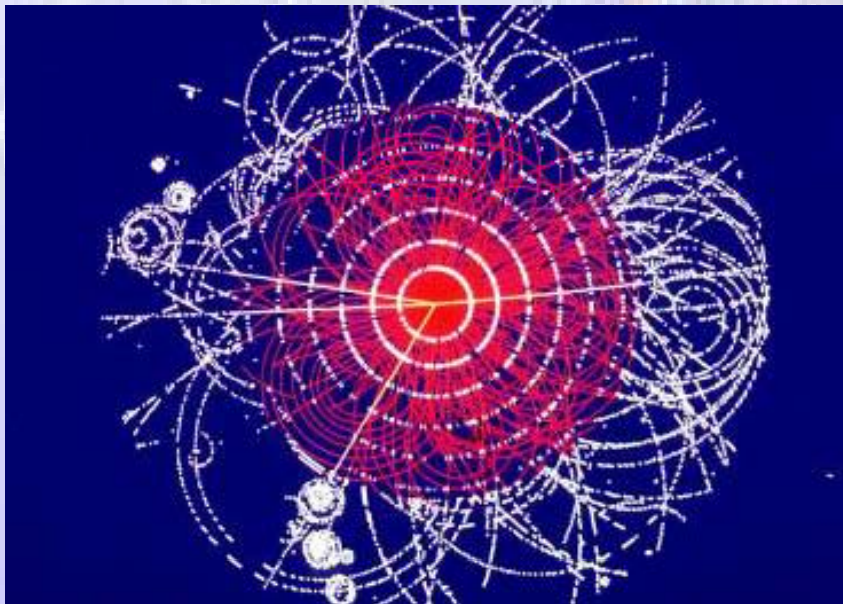
$\sim 10 \text{ fb}^{-1} / \text{year}$

High Luminosity $\sim 10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

$\sim 100 \text{ fb}^{-1} / \text{year}$

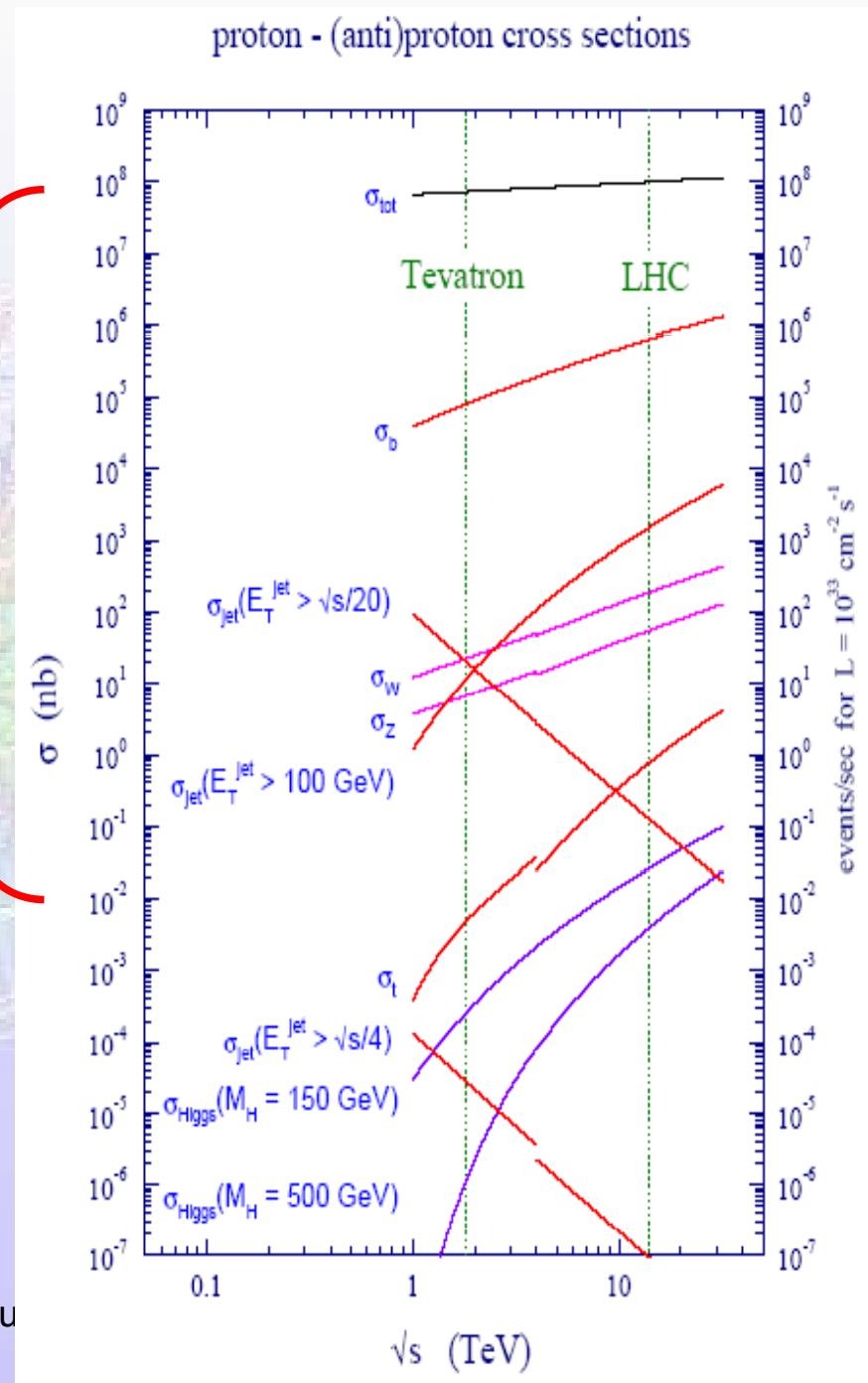
Bunch crossing : 25 ns

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Current SM Higgs Limits

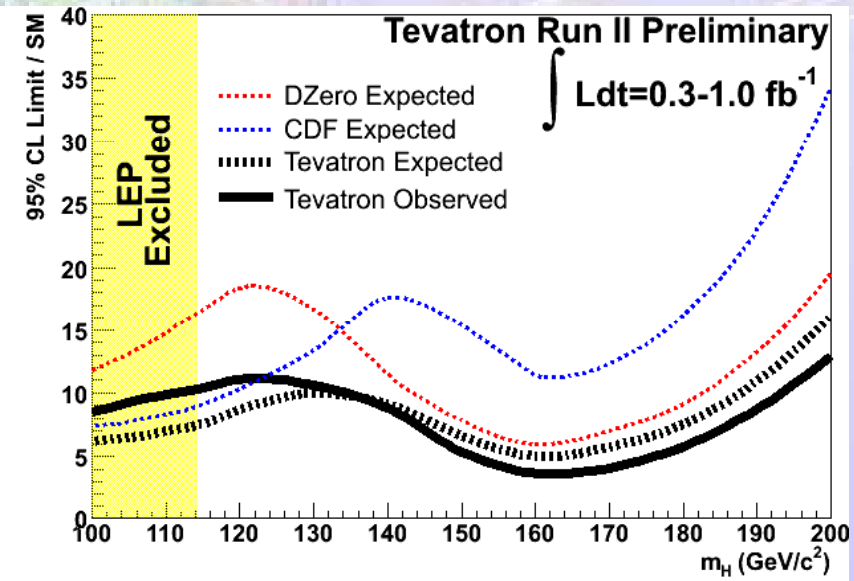
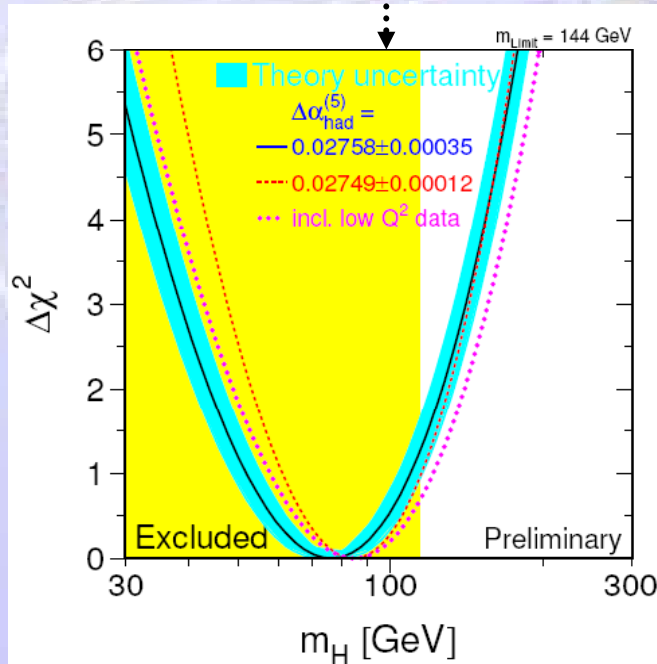
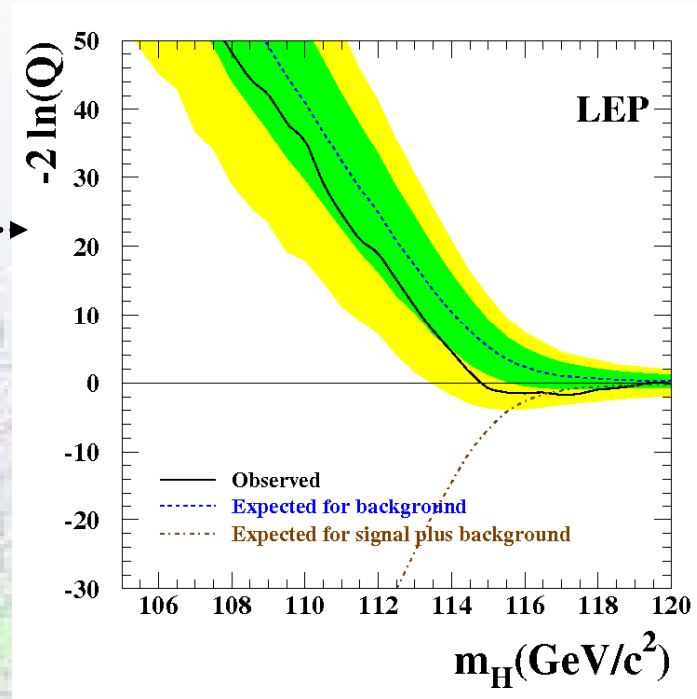
LEP direct search

$m_H > 114.4 \text{ GeV @95\% CL}$

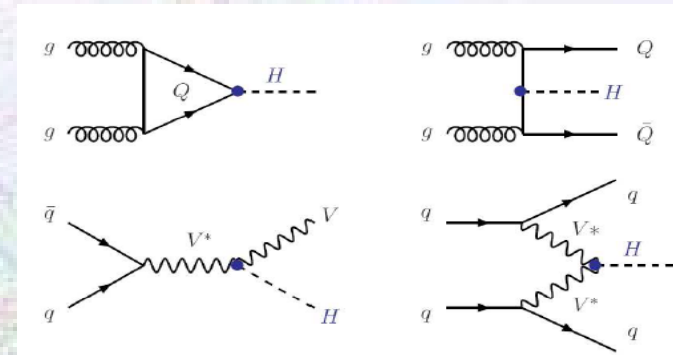
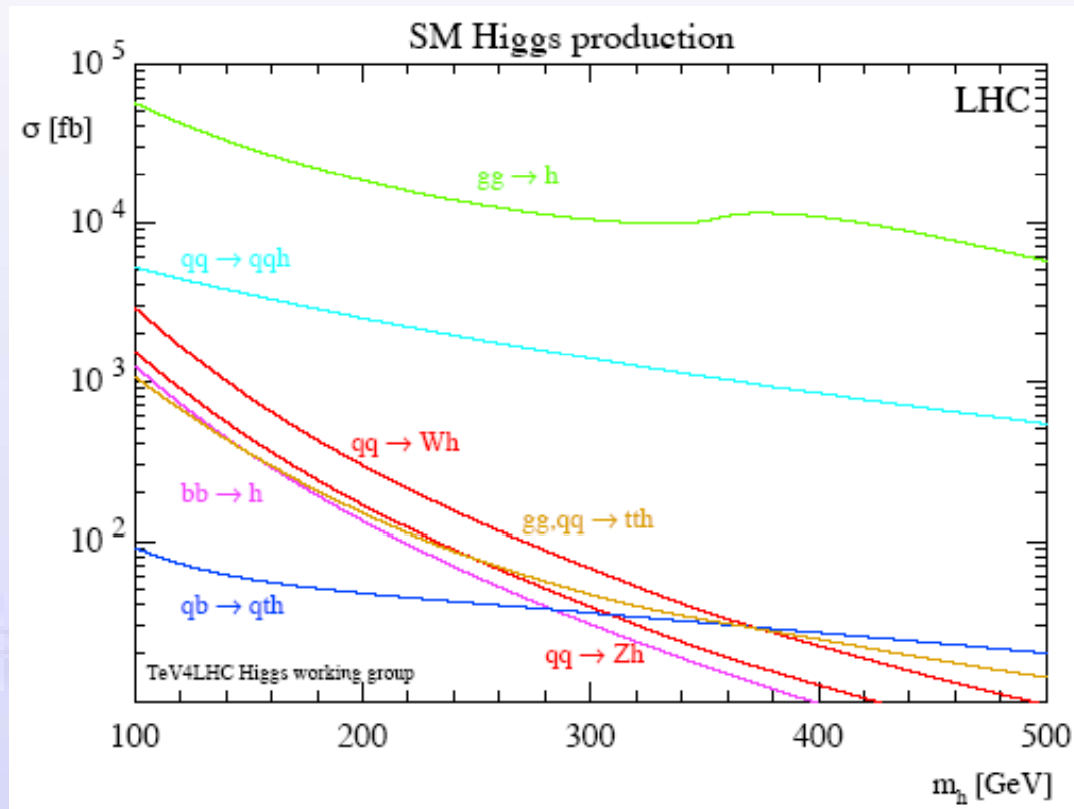
Tevatron Direct search

LEP, SLD, Tevatron e/w fit

$m_H < 182 \text{ GeV}$



Higgs production at LHC



Uncertainties on cross-sections

- gg 10-20 % (NNLO)
- VBF $\sim 5\%$ (NLO)
- WH,ZH $\sim < 5\%$ (NNLO)
- ttH 10-20 % (NLO)

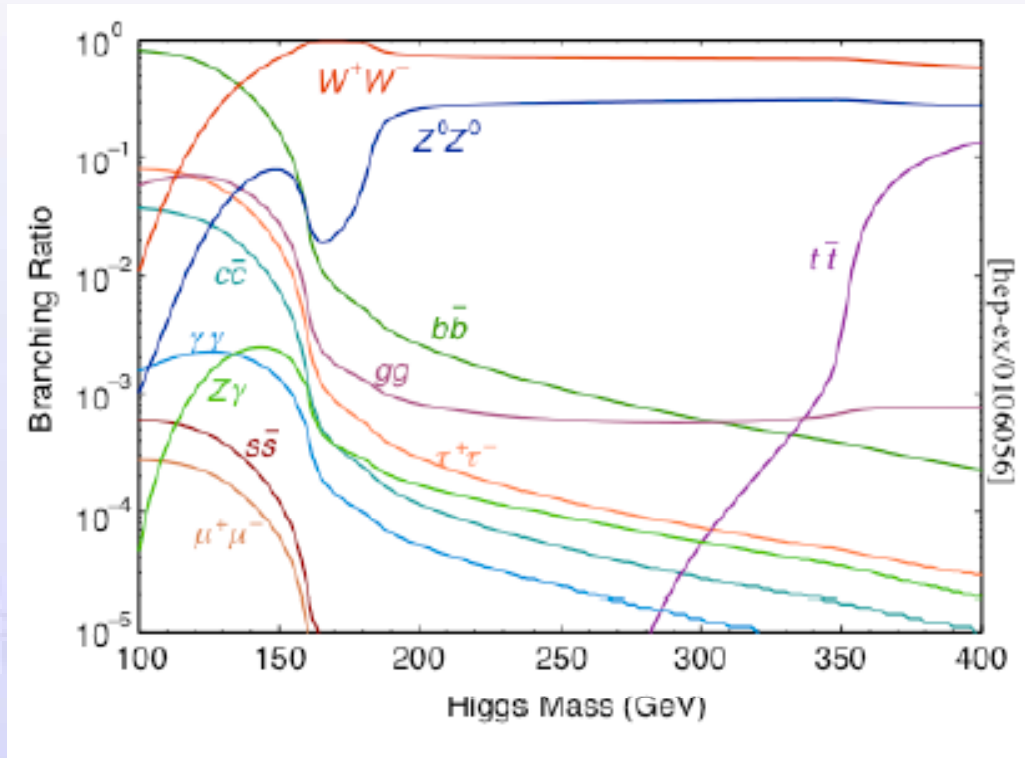
In the Higgs mass range $M_H \sim 100 - 200 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

gluon fusion cross section is $\sim 20 - 60 \text{ pb}$

VBF cross section is $\sim 3 - 5 \text{ pb}$

WH,ZH, ttH cross sections $\sim 0.2 - 3 \text{ pb}$

Higgs decays



Inclusive search channels:

$H \rightarrow ZZ$ for $m_H \geq 130$ GeV

$\rightarrow 4l$

$H \rightarrow WW$ for $m_H \geq 145$ GeV

$\rightarrow l\nu l\nu$

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ for $m_H \leq 150$ GeV

Exclusive search channels:

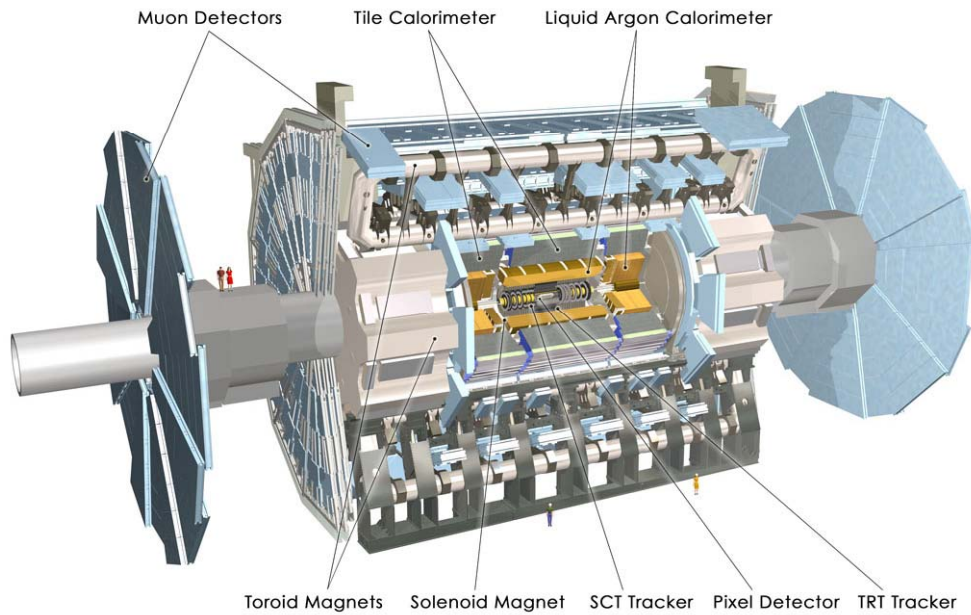
VBF $H \rightarrow WW$ for $m_H \geq 115$ GeV

VBF $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ for $m_H \leq 150$ GeV

ttH with $H \rightarrow bb$ for $m_H \leq 135$ GeV

Uncertainties on branching ratios

few % (NLO)



ATLAS

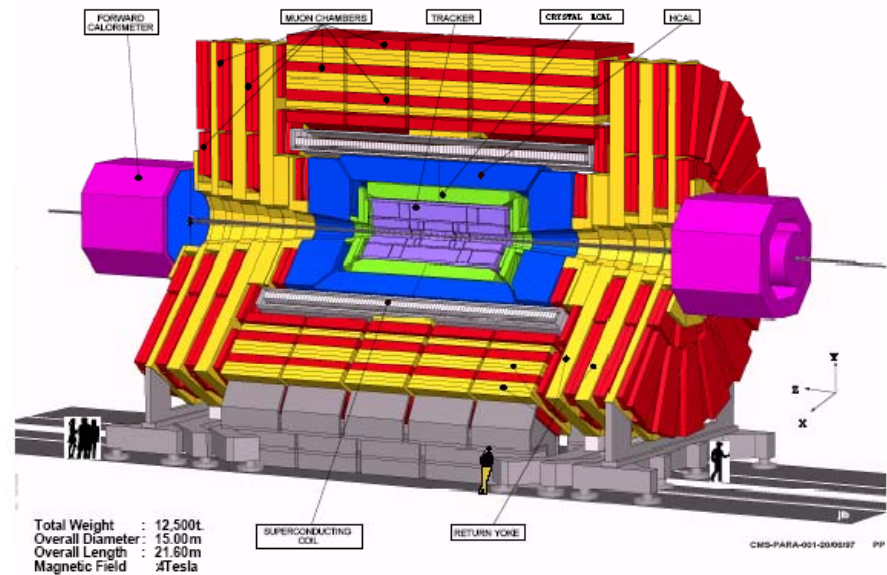
Length : ~45 m
 Diameter : ~24 m
 Weight : ~ 7,000 tons
 Solenoid : 2 T
 Air-core toroids

Excellent Standalone Muon Detector

CMS

Length : ~22 m
 Diameter : ~14 m
 Weight : ~ 12,500 tons
 Solenoid : 4 T
 Compact and modular

Excellent EM Calorimeter



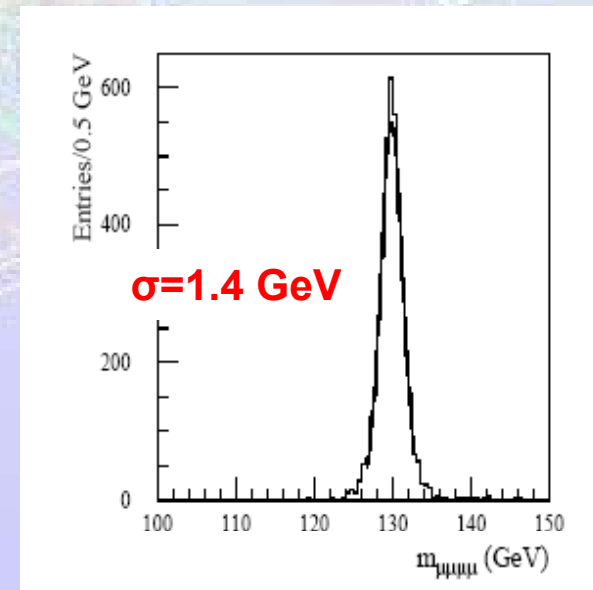
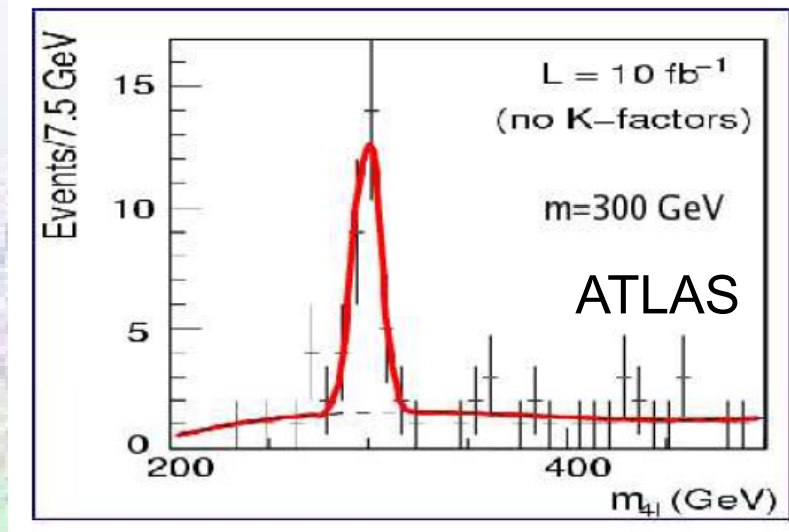
SM Higgs Search $H \rightarrow ZZ(ZZ^*) \rightarrow l^+l^-l^+l^-$

- $ZZ(*) \rightarrow 4l$ is very clean
(also $\rightarrow lljj$, $ll\nu\nu$ are studied)
- All H decay products are reconstructed
- Very sensitive for $m_H > 130$ GeV
- **Golden channel** for $m_H > 2m_Z$

Signature:

two opposite sign pair of leptons
coming from the PV
compatible with Z mass (at least 1 couple)

Exploits the excellent e/μ
identification and momentum
resolution of the detectors



SM Higgs Search $H \rightarrow ZZ(ZZ^*) \rightarrow l^+l^-l^+l^-$

CMS

Irreducible Background:

continuum $ZZ(*) \rightarrow 4$ leptons

Reducible Backgrounds:

$Zbb \rightarrow 4$ leptons

$tt \rightarrow 4$ leptons

suppressed by impact parameter
and isolation criteria

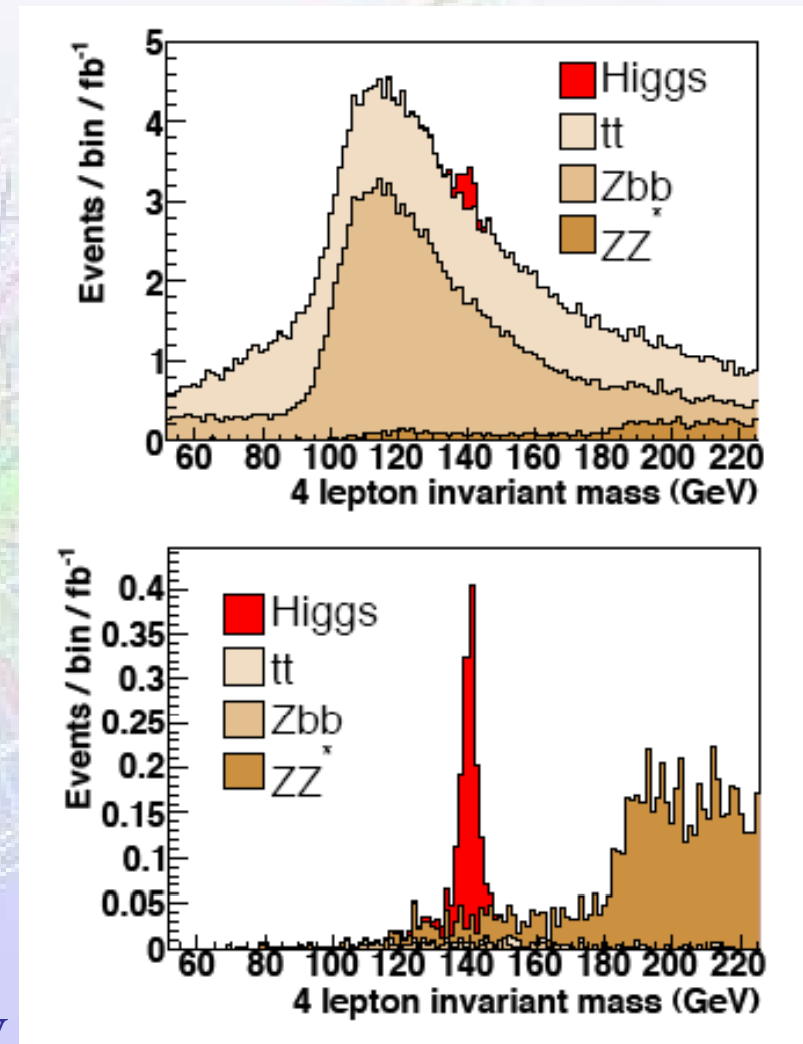
$gg \rightarrow ZZ$ is added as 20% of LO $qq \rightarrow ZZ$
 ZZ NLO k factor depends on m_{4l}

Background control:

- from side bands
- from $ZZ \rightarrow 4l / Z \rightarrow 2l$

Discovery with less than 10 fb^{-1}

$130 < m_H < 160 \text{ GeV}$, $2m_Z < m_H < 550 \text{ GeV}$



SM Higgs Search $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l^+ \nu l^- \bar{\nu}$

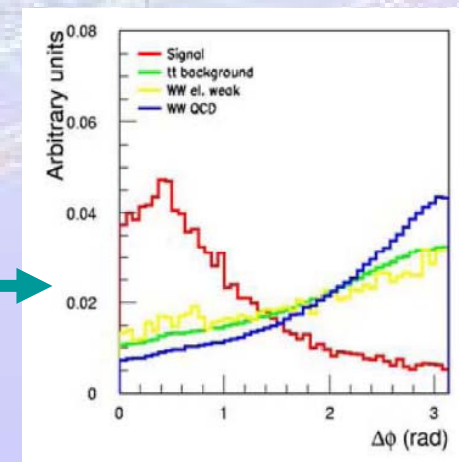
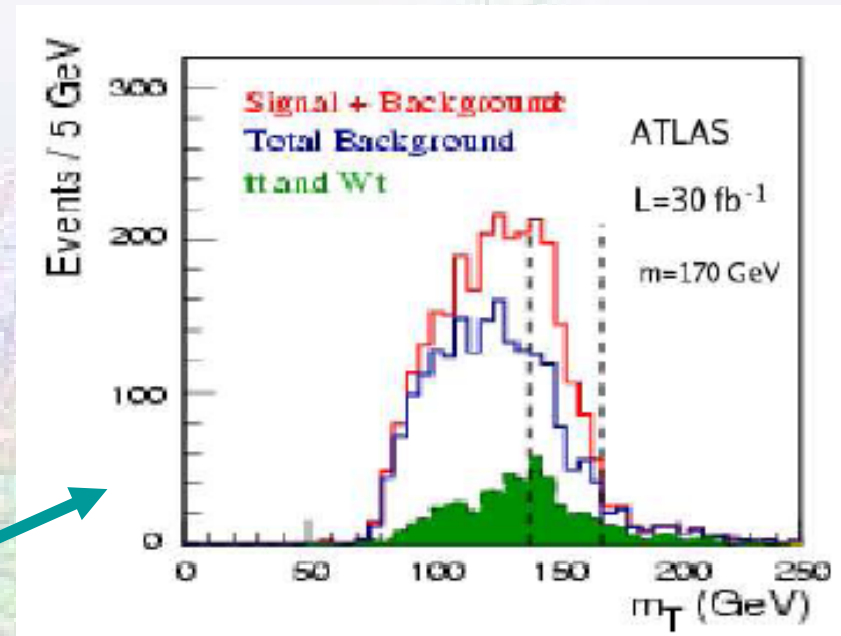
- Important channel for $2m_W < m_H < 2m_Z$

$H \rightarrow WW$ BR $\sim 95\%$

- Exclusive VBF also sensitive in lower mass regions
- Inclusive $H \rightarrow WW$ Using dilepton final state

Signature $l^+ l^-$ and MET

- no mass peak, have to use transverse mass $l^+ l^- E_{T\text{mis}}$
- **need to determine shape of background**
- Lepton anti-correlated
 - W^+, W^- opposite spin
 - Lepton tend to be close



SM Higgs Search $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l^+ \nu l^- \nu$

Backgrounds:

tt, tWb :

rejected by vetoing the jets

WW, WZ, ZZ :

rejected by kinematical cuts

i.e.

- $ET_{\text{miss}} > 50 \text{ GeV}$
- jet veto in $\eta < 2.5$
- $30 < pT_{\text{max}} < 55 \text{ GeV}$
- $pT_{\text{min}} > 25 \text{ GeV}$
- $12 < m_{ll} < 40 \text{ GeV}$

Background Control

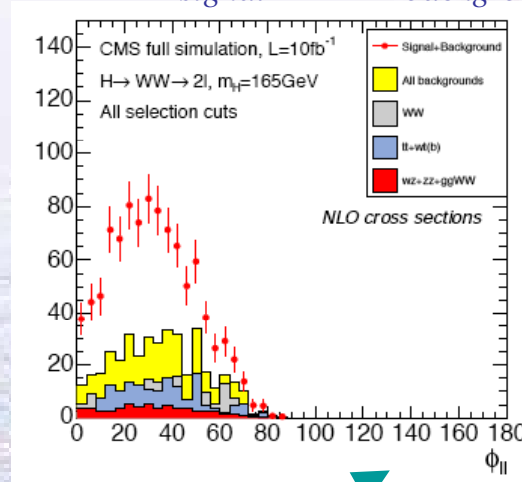
a) Invert cut on l^+l^- proximity

b) Create control samples for tt, WW, WZ

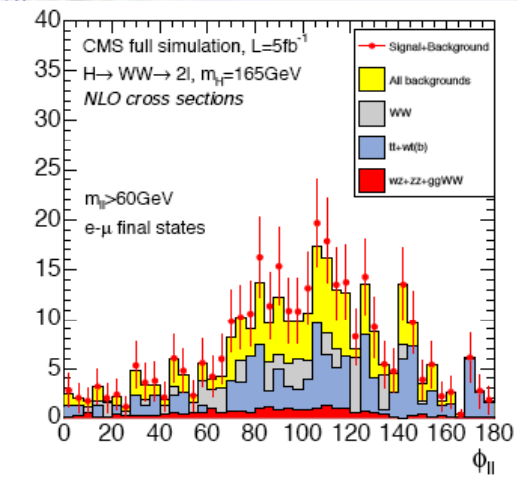
For 1,2 and 10 fb^{-1} syst err $\sim 19, 16$ and 11%

Discovery may happen within $\sim 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

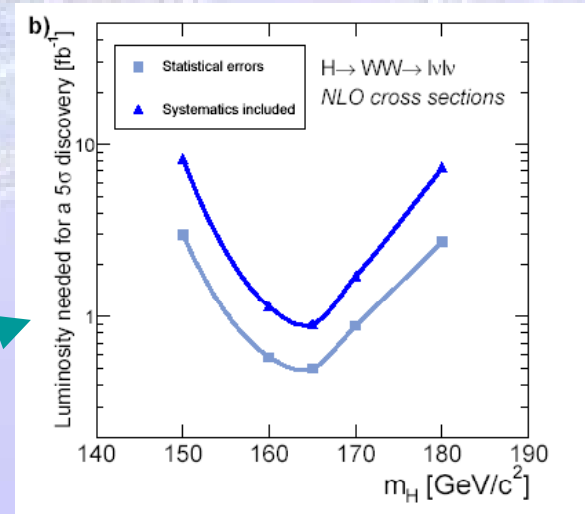
$NLO \sigma_{\text{signal}}$ and $\sigma_{\text{background}}$



CMS



CMS



SM Higgs Search $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Though $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ BR $\sim 10^{-3}$

Still, very important in the mass range $m_H \leq 150$ GeV

Requires good energy resolution of the em calo

Signature:

2 isolated high Et gammas from PV

Need of excellent energy resolution

Irreducible Background:

Continuum gamma-gamma

Reducible Backgrounds:

jet-jet and gamma-jet events

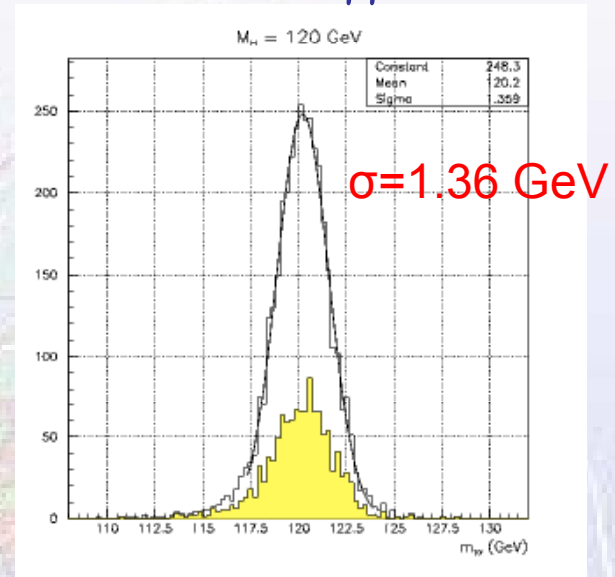
Need of

Excellent jet rejection factor

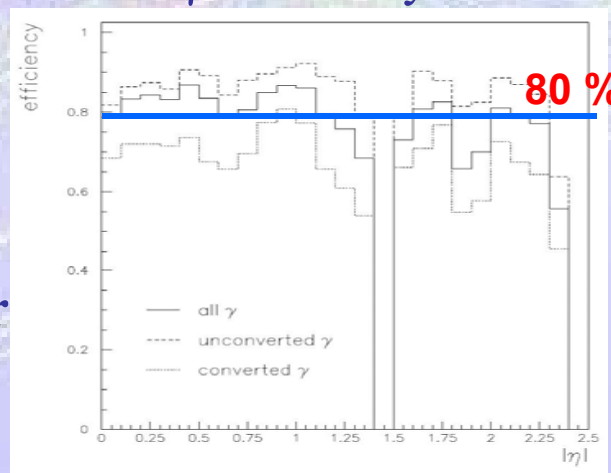
(> 10^3 for 80% γ efficiency)

good π^0 rejection

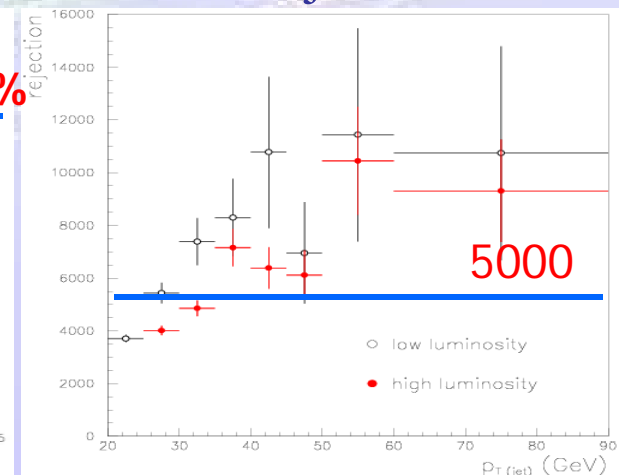
Mass $\gamma\gamma$



γ efficiency



Jet rejection

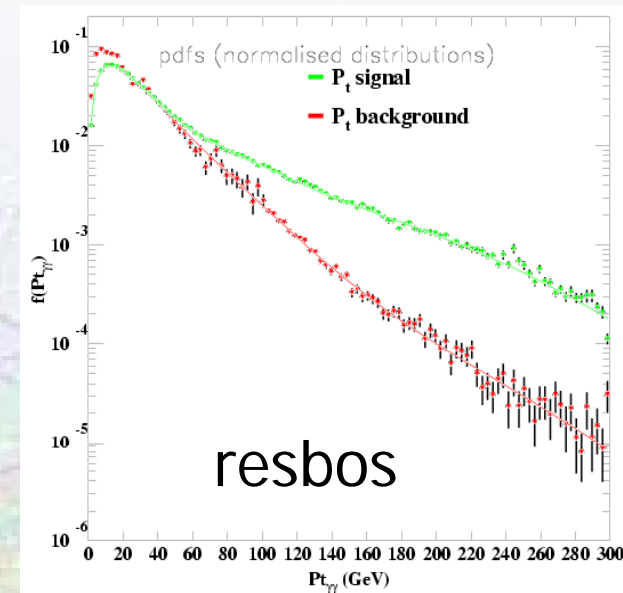
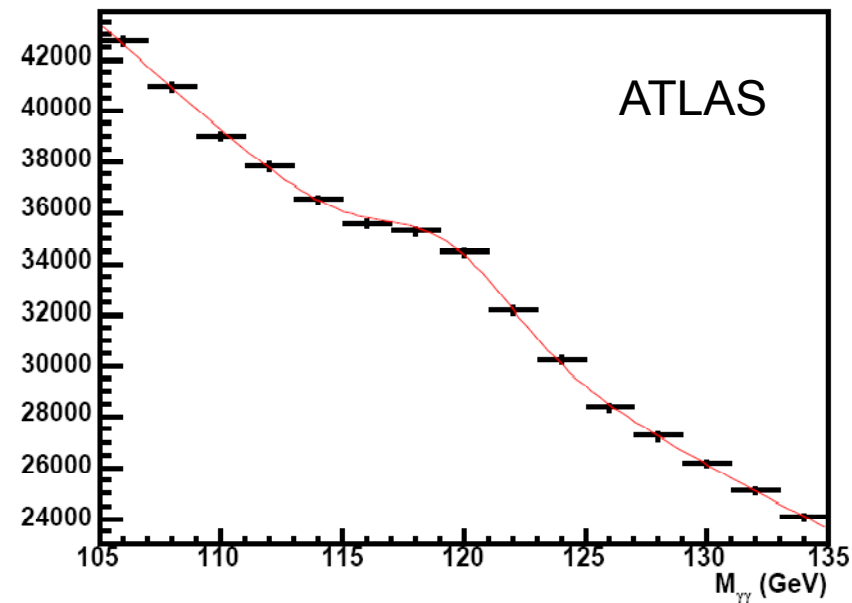


SM Higgs Search $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Event Selection

- Kinematical cuts
- $p_T^1 > 40$ GeV, $p_T^2 > 25$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$
- Photon identification cuts
- Photon reconstruction and calibration
- Photons direction corrected for PV

background+signal distribution



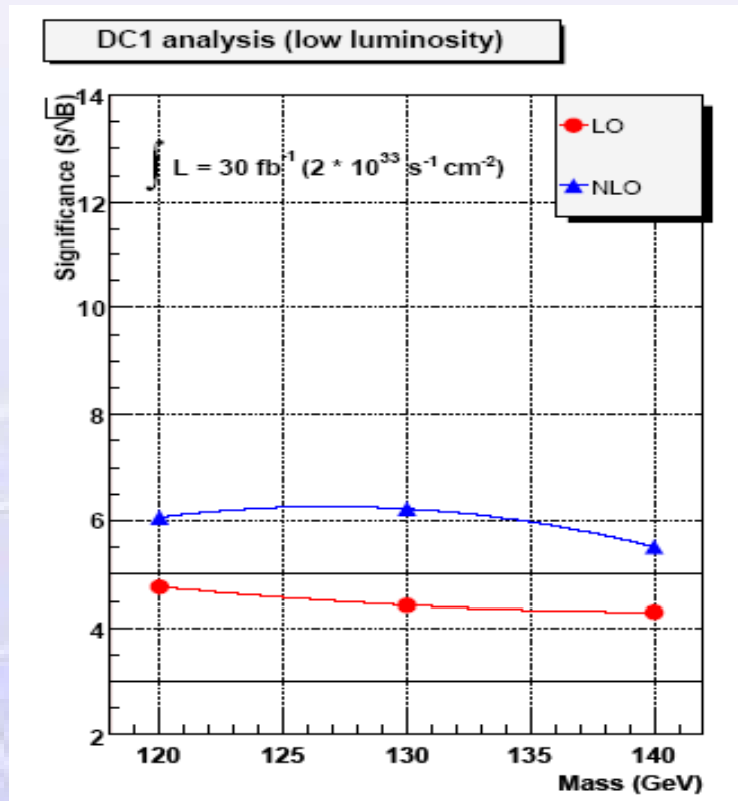
Improve the discovery potential using the shape of kinematical variables

Likelihood ratio method based on kinematical variables of signal and background

SM Higgs Search $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

ATLAS

Significance change LO \rightarrow NLO



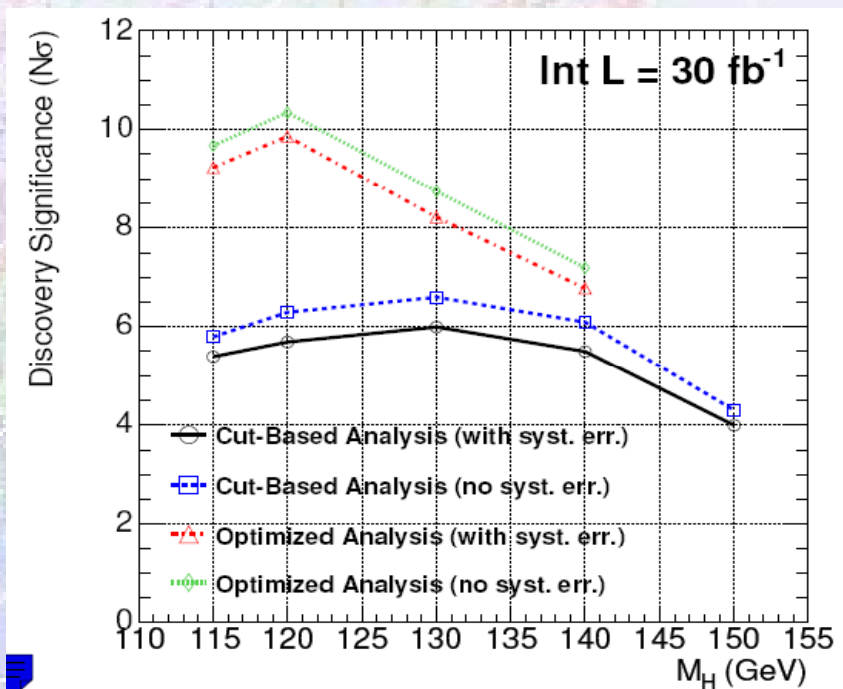
Carminati L., Physics at LHC 2006

*Impact of kinematical variables
not shown in this plot*

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Significance change
with Optimized analysis



R. Kinnunen, 13th Nordic LHC
Physics Workshop 2006

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SM Higgs search VBF with $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ and $H \rightarrow WW$

- At low Higgs masses the largest sensitivity search channels are found in the vector boson fusion production mode
- The two jets of the quarks are energetic and distributed in the forward region
- The Higgs decay products in between

Signature:

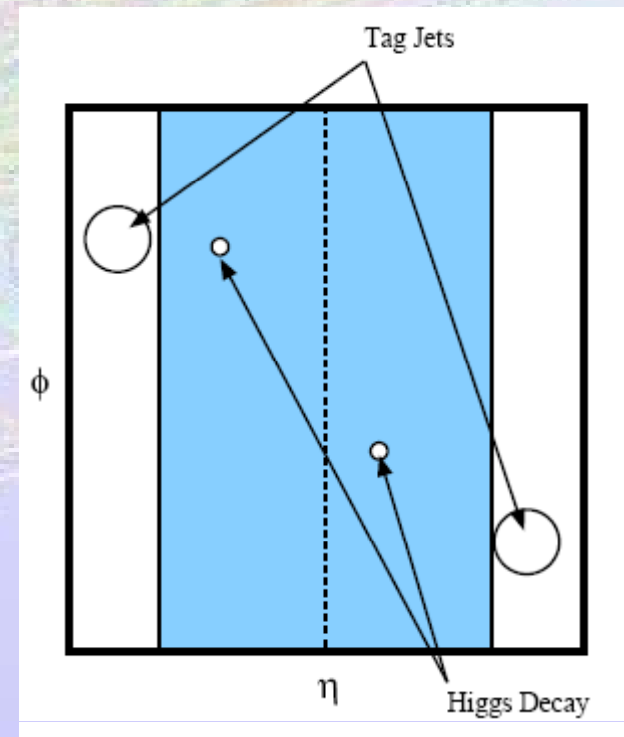
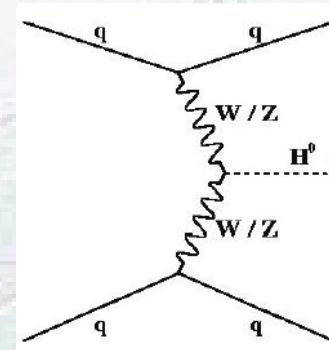
two tag jets in the forward region
One of the W or τ decay leptonically

Irreducible Background

qq Z/W

Reducible backgrounds

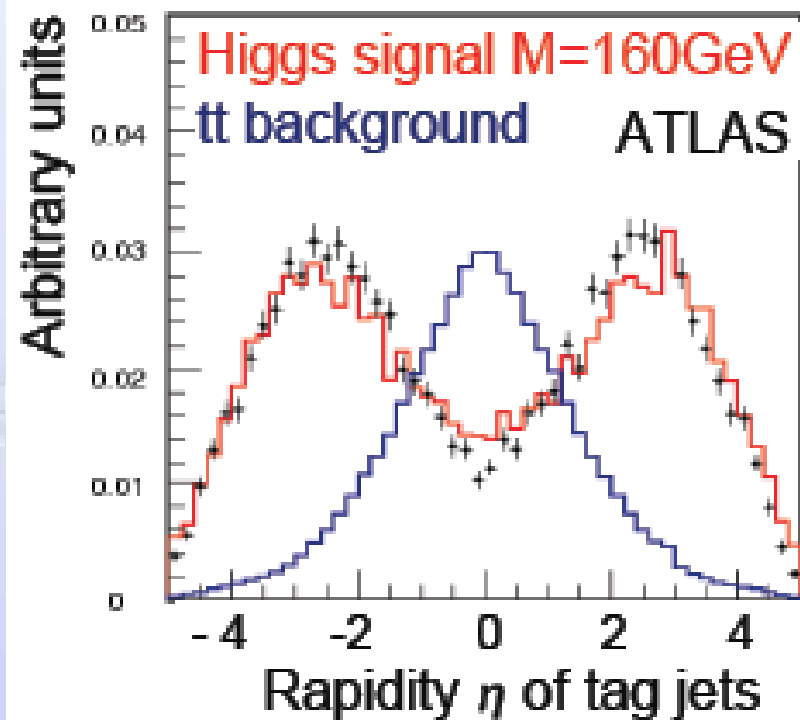
QCD multi-jet, W+jet, Z+jet, g+jet and tt



SM Higgs search VBF with $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ and $H \rightarrow WW$

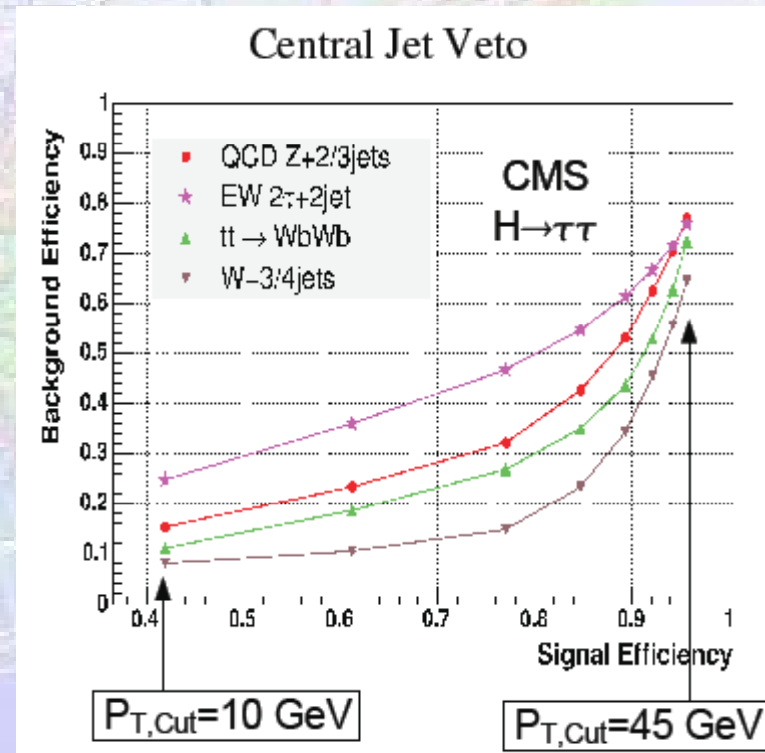
Significant background suppression by

Two tag jets in forward region



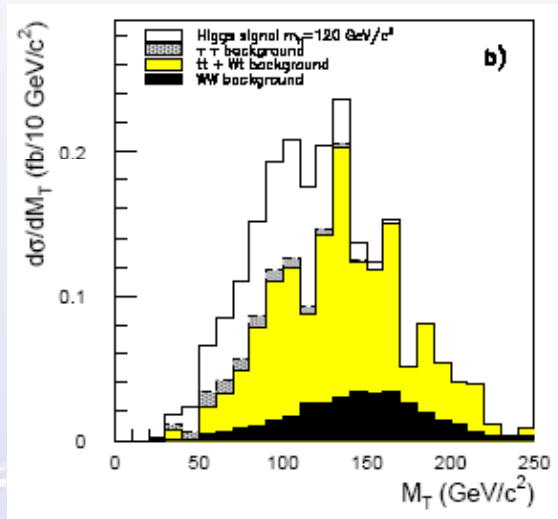
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No Jet in central region

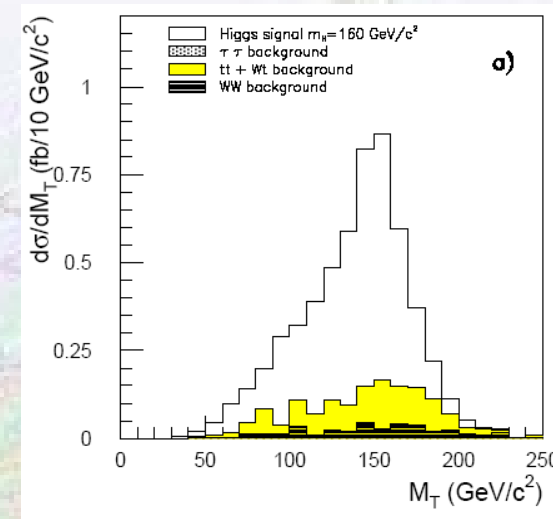


SM Higgs search VBF with $H \rightarrow WW$

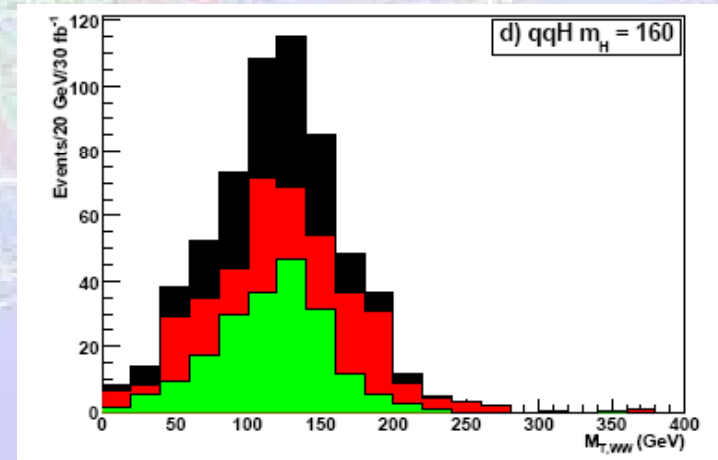
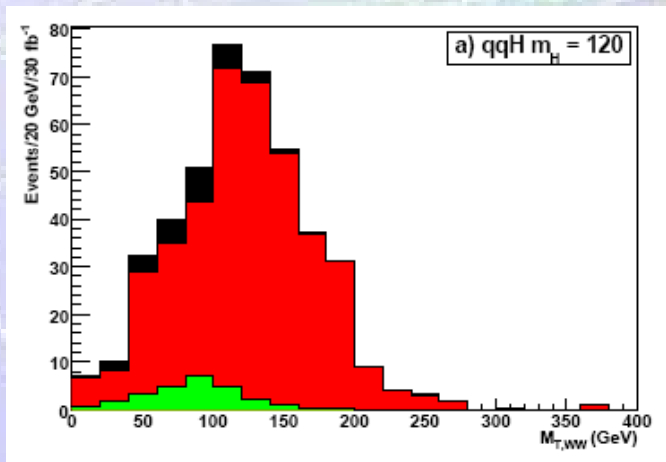
$m_H = 120 \text{ GeV}$



$m_H = 160 \text{ GeV}$



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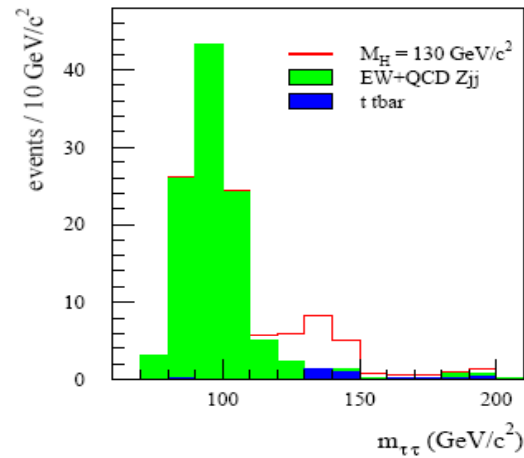
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Signal to background with VBF increases by a factor >3

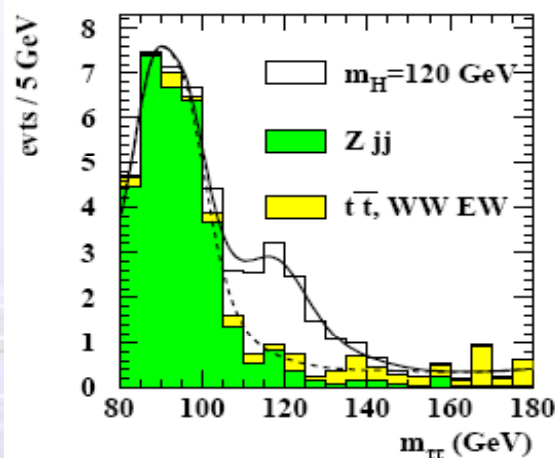
SM Higgs search VBF with $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$

$\tau\tau \rightarrow l\nu\nu+j\nu$

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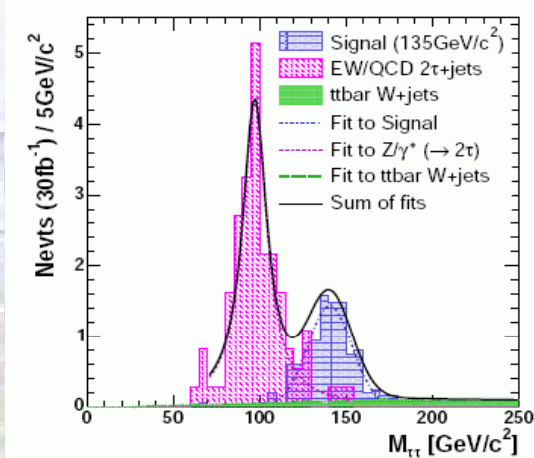


$\tau\tau \rightarrow e\nu\nu+\mu\nu\nu$



CMS

$\tau\tau \rightarrow l\nu\nu+j\nu$



Backgrounds :

QCD $\tau\tau$ +jets, EW $\tau\tau$ +jets, W+jets, tt

Selection:

VBF tag jets

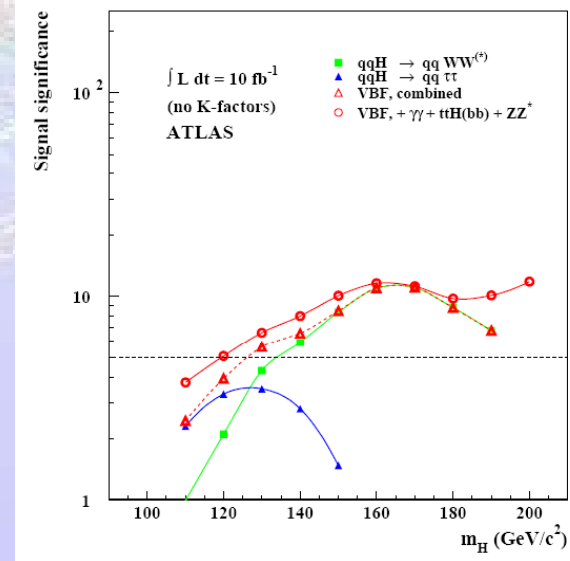
τ selection

MET reconstruction, Kinematical cuts

Background Control

Side bands

Relaxed cuts



SM Higgs search ttH ($H \rightarrow bb$) $\rightarrow lvbbbbjj$

Signature

4b-jets + lepton + 2 jets + MET

Irreducible background:

Non resonant $ttbb$

Reducible backgrounds:

ttZ , $ttjj$, $WWjj$

Event Selection:

Reconstruction of at least 6 jets

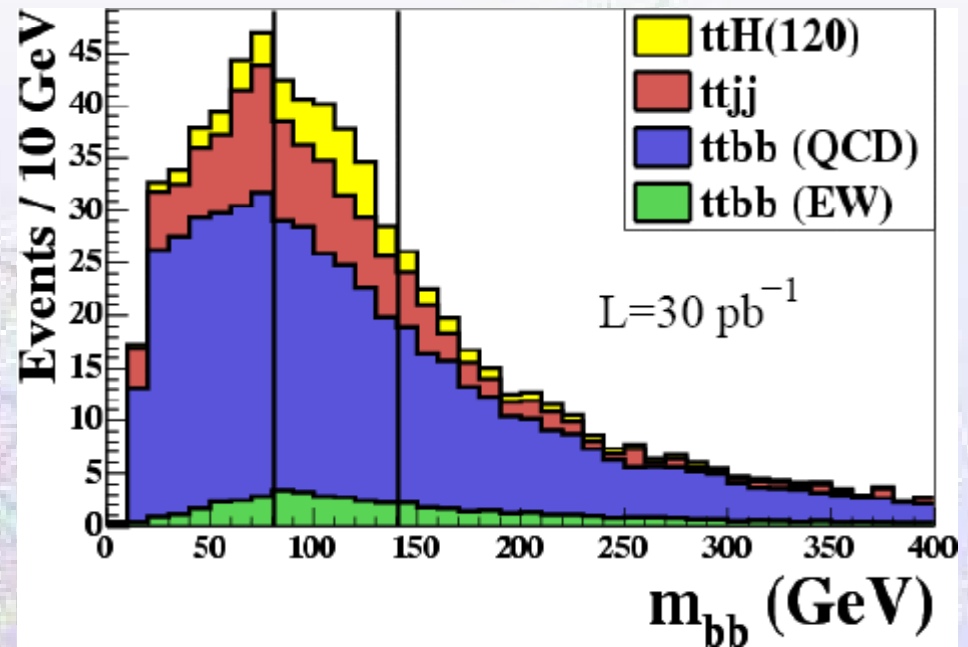
B-tagging of exactly 4 jets

Kinematical cuts

Invariant Mass of bb from H

Use of Likelihood functions

- To associate bs from t decays
- To discriminate $ttbb$ bkg



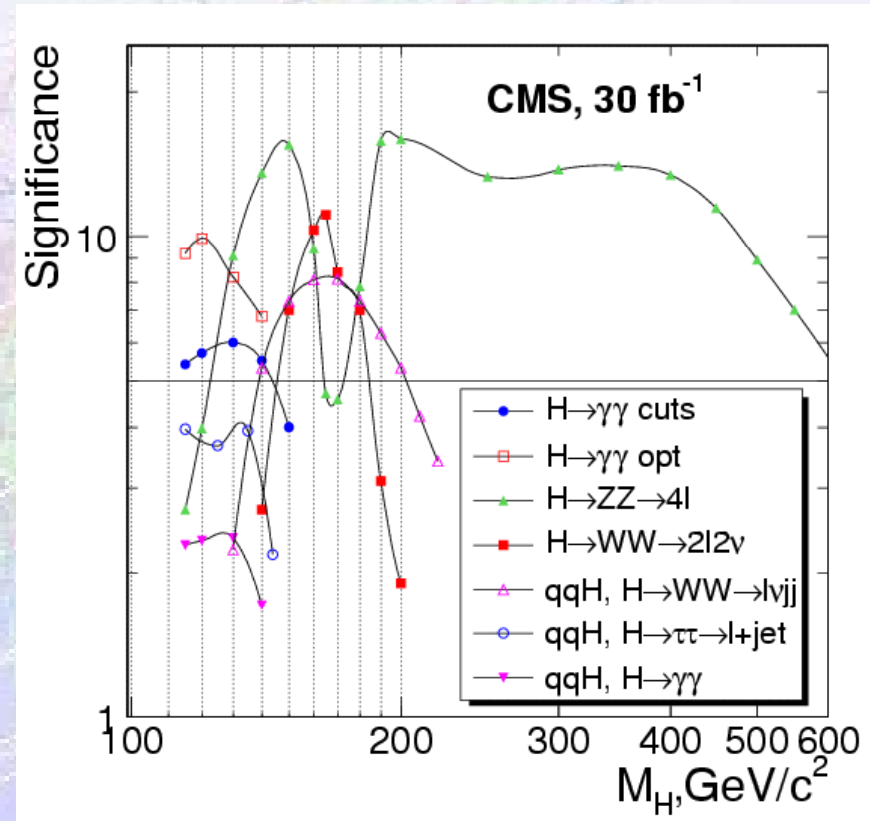
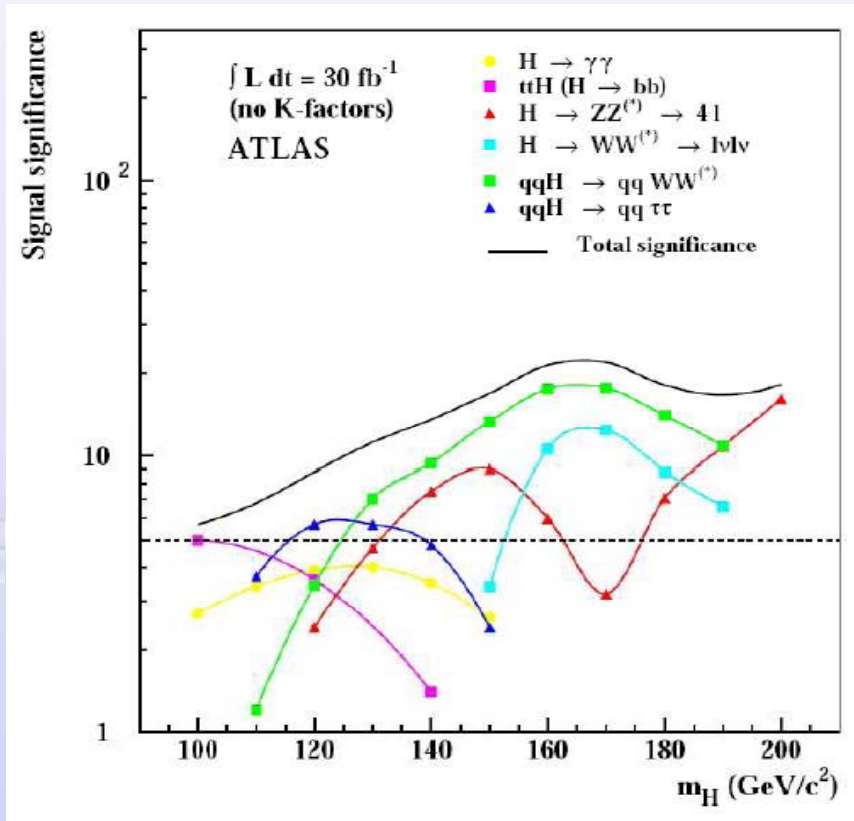
$m_H = 120 \text{ GeV}$, $L = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
 $S/\sqrt{B} = 2.8$, with **LO**

Very challenging channel

Significant for very low Higgs masses

Difficult to control the background with the use of the data

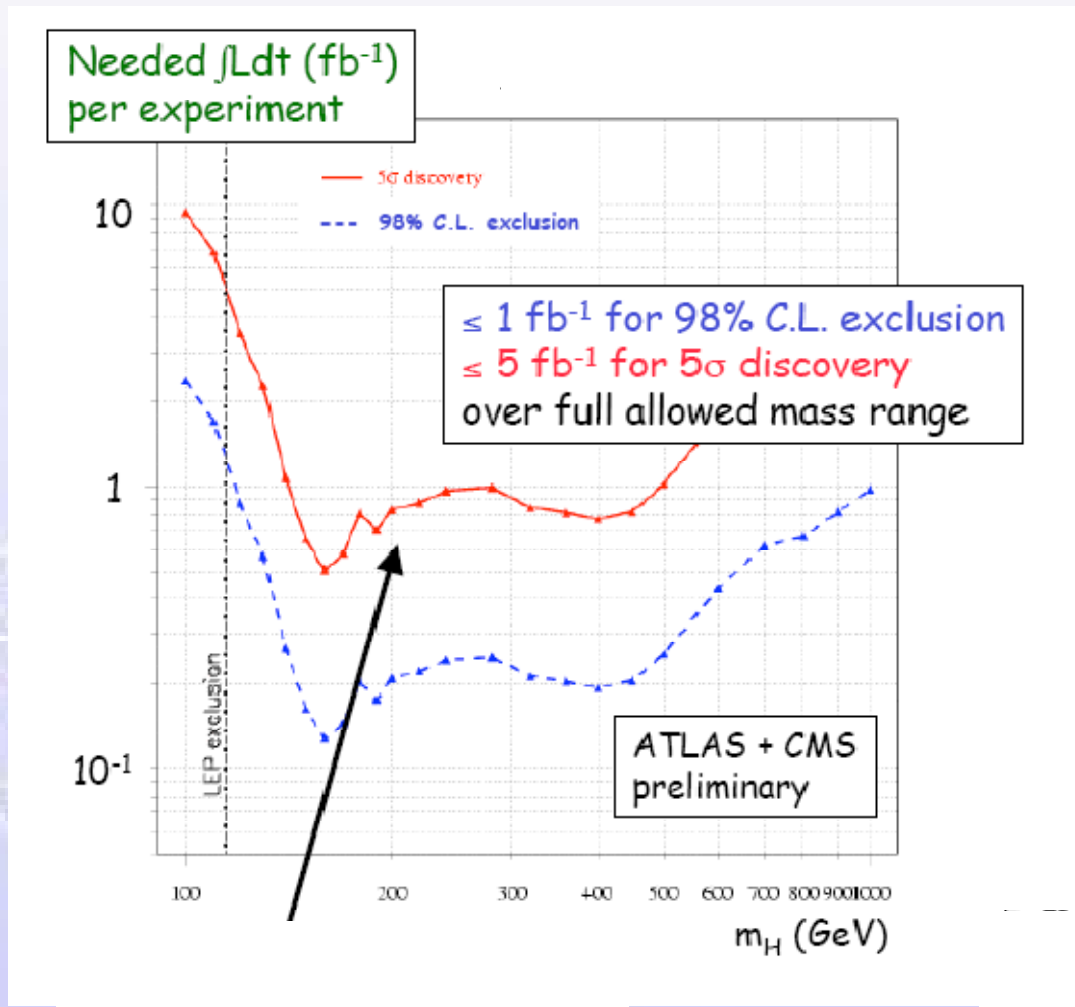
LHC Summary for the discovery of the SM Higgs



ATLAS uses LO in the plot, while CMS uses NLO cross sections

ATLAS new sensitivity study is ongoing

LHC Summary for the discovery of the SM Higgs



F.Gianotti, ICHEP06

- 5σ discovery over all allowed mass range with $\leq 5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- More than one channels must be combined for early discovery at low masses ($\sim 115 \text{ GeV}$)

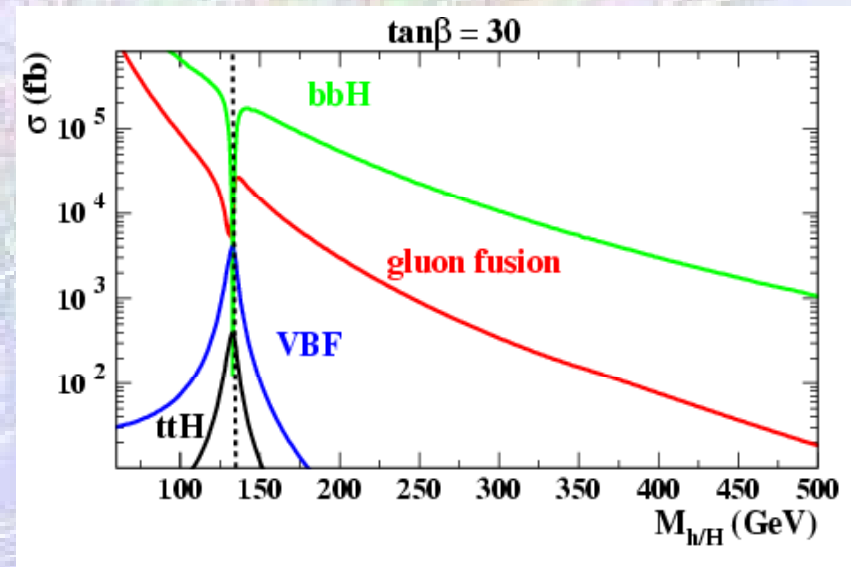
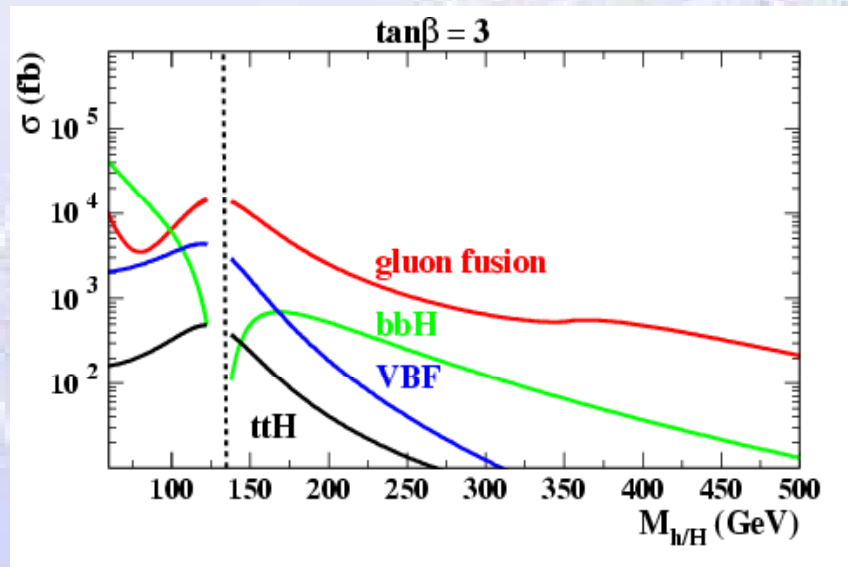
Production of the MSSM Higgs

- Higgs sector of the MSSM: physical states h, H, A, H^\pm
- Described by two parameters at lowest order: $M_A, \tan\beta$
- **Discovery of extended Higgs sector leads to physics beyond SM**

$\tan\beta = 3$

MSSM neutral Higgs production

$\tan\beta=30$

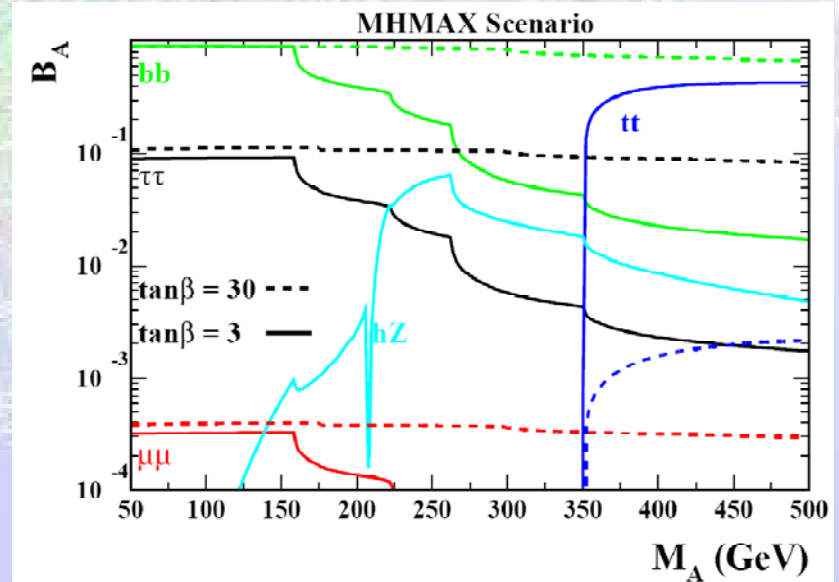
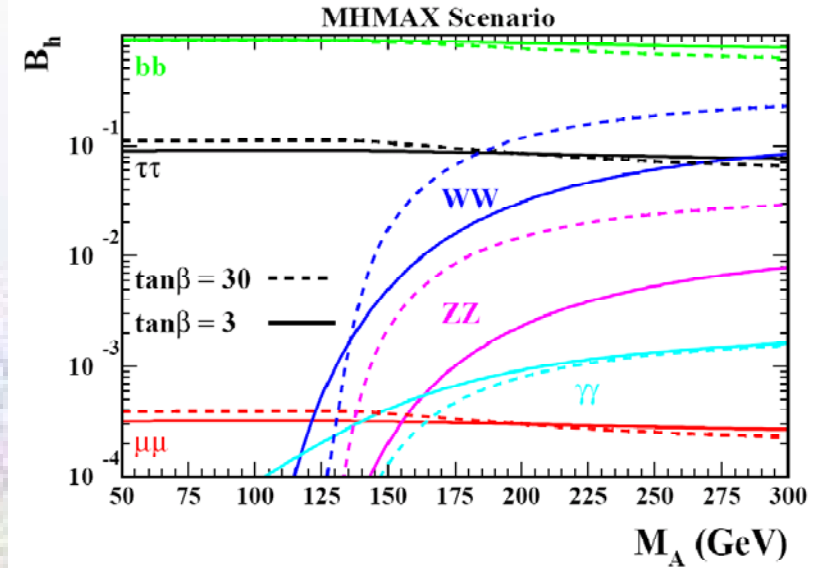


At high $\tan\beta$ associated production bbH is greatly enhanced

MSSM Higgs search

Channels taken into consideration

Search channel	Mass range
$VBF : H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	110 GeV to 180 GeV
$VBF : H \rightarrow WW$	110 GeV to 250 GeV
$VBF : H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	110 GeV to 180 GeV
$ttH, H \rightarrow bb$	110 GeV to 150 GeV
$GGF/bbh, H \rightarrow \mu\mu$	70 to 1000 GeV
$GGF/bbh, H \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow lep.had.$	110 to 1000 GeV
$GGF/bbh, H \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow had.had.$	450 to 1000 GeV
$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow llll$	100 GeV to 420 GeV
$GGF, H/A \rightarrow tt$	450 to 600 GeV
$H/A \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	60 to 400 GeV
$WH \rightarrow \ell\nu bb$	70 to 130 GeV
$GGF : H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\nu$	140 to 200 GeV
$WH \rightarrow \ell\nu WW \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\nu\ell\nu$	140 to 200 GeV
$GGF : H \rightarrow hh \rightarrow \gamma\gamma bb$	100 360, 40 to 130 GeV
$GGF : A \rightarrow Zh \rightarrow llbb$	100 360, 40 to 130 GeV
$tt \rightarrow H^\pm bWb \rightarrow \tau\nu\ell\nu b$	70 to 170 GeV
$tt \rightarrow H^\pm bWb \rightarrow \tau\nu bqqb$	70 to 170 GeV
$gb \rightarrow H^\pm t : H^\pm \rightarrow \tau\nu, tb$	180 to 1000 GeV



...and BR to WW,ZZ strongly suppressed

MSSM Higgs search bbH ($H \rightarrow \tau\tau$)

Signature

$\tau\tau$ (≥ 1 decaying to l) bb

Irreducible background:

$\tau\tau$ bb

Reducible backgrounds:

Z +jets, $t\bar{t}$, bb , Wt , WW , WZ

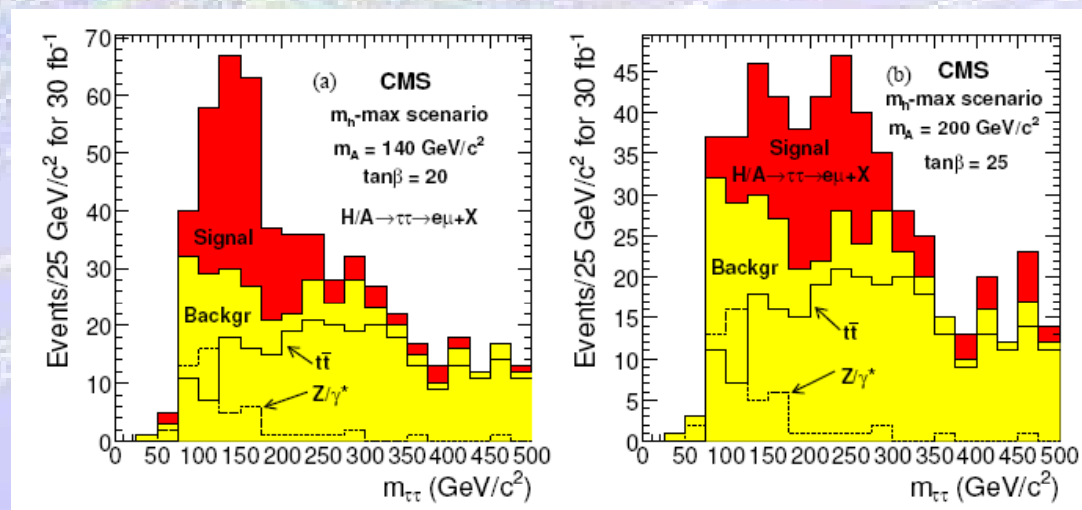
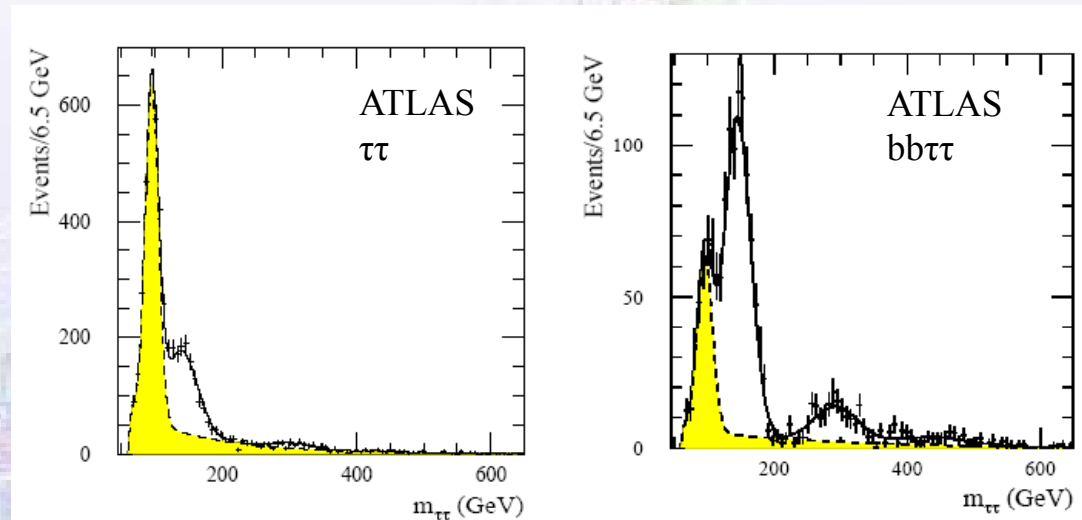
Event Selection:

pair of τ

b -tagging of ≥ 1 jet

central jet veto

MET reconstruction

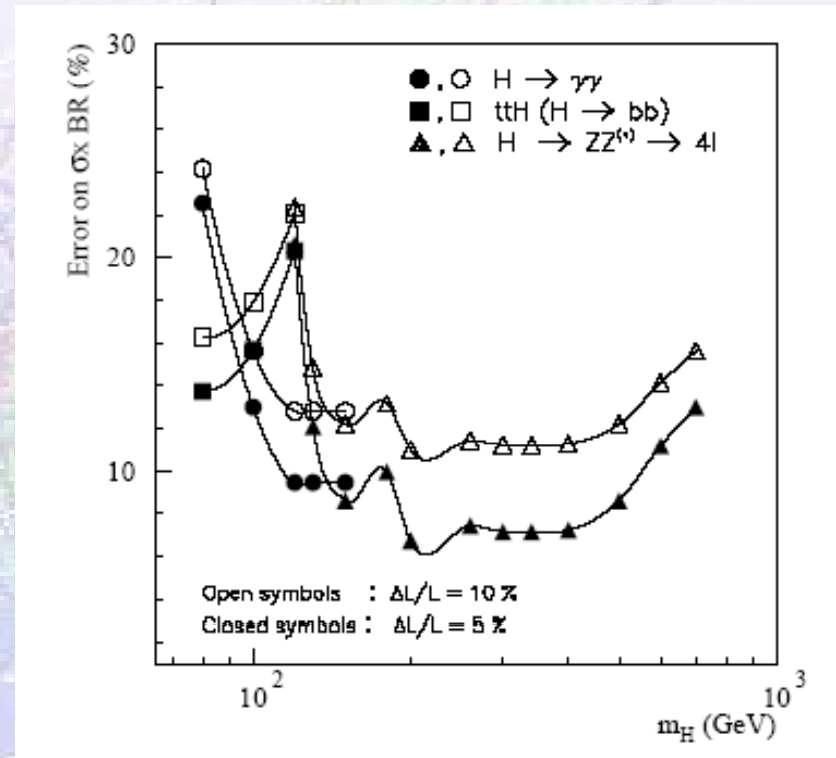
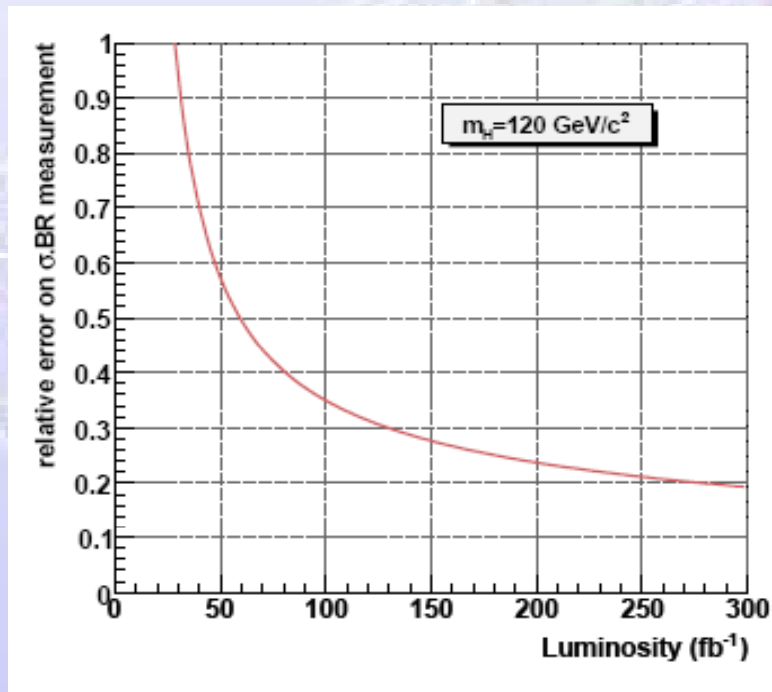


Higgs Parameters – Branching ratios

Luminosity control
Detector systematics
Background control from data

ATLAS 300fb⁻¹

CMS WH,ZH (H → $\gamma\gamma$)



Higgs Parameters - Mass Determination

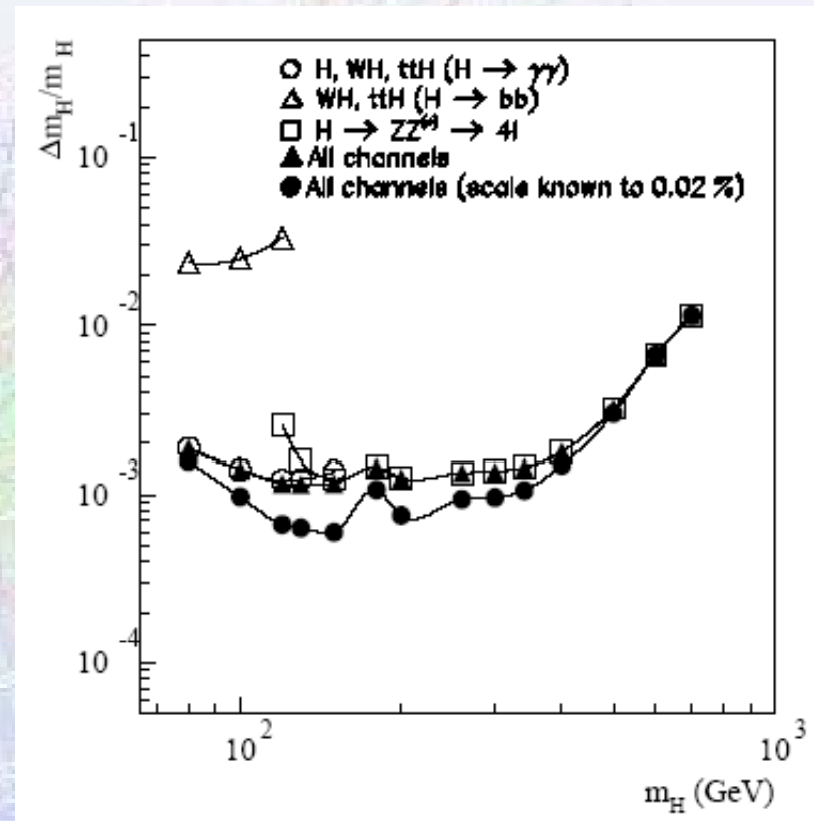
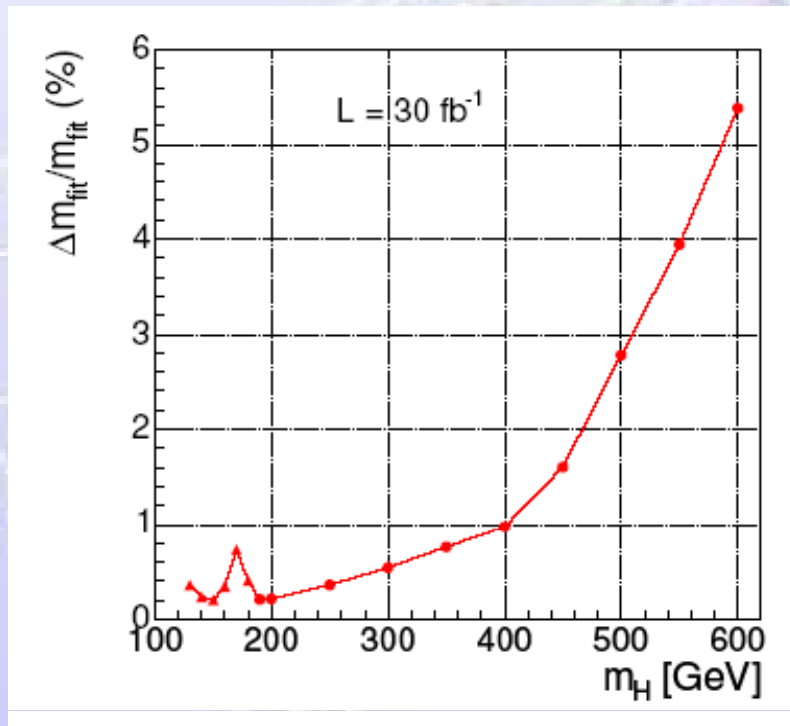
Channels with complete reconstruction of Higgs decay products

$H \rightarrow 4$ leptons

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

ATLAS 300fb⁻¹

CMS $H \rightarrow 4l$ 30 fb⁻¹



Conclusions

- **If the standard model Higgs boson exist, it cannot escape detection at the LHC.**
- **Discovering the Higgs boson is just the first step, the next step is to measure its mass and couplings.**
- **Discovery of enhanced Higgs sector directly prompts to physics beyond the SM.**

... the adventure is about to start

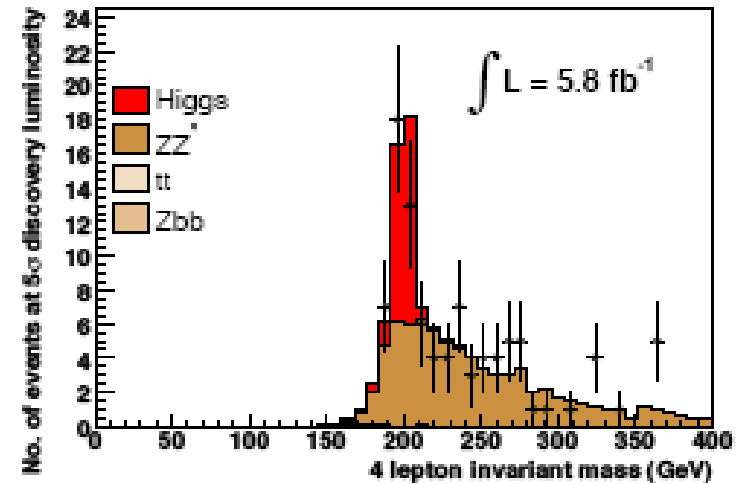
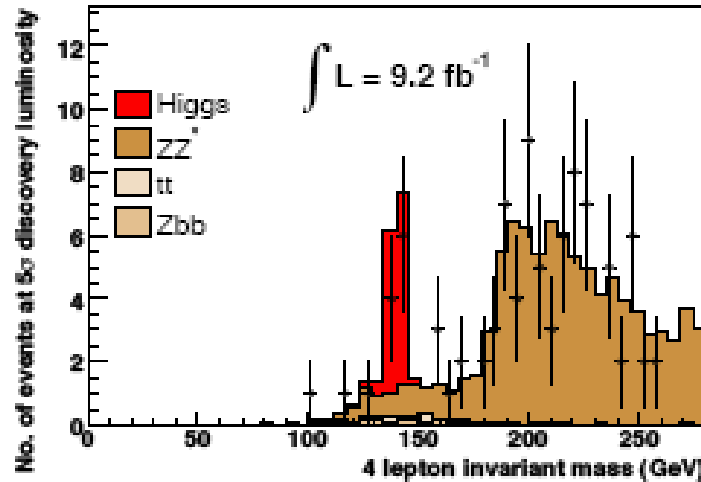


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SM Higgs Search $H \rightarrow ZZ(ZZ^*) \rightarrow l^+l^-l^+l^-$

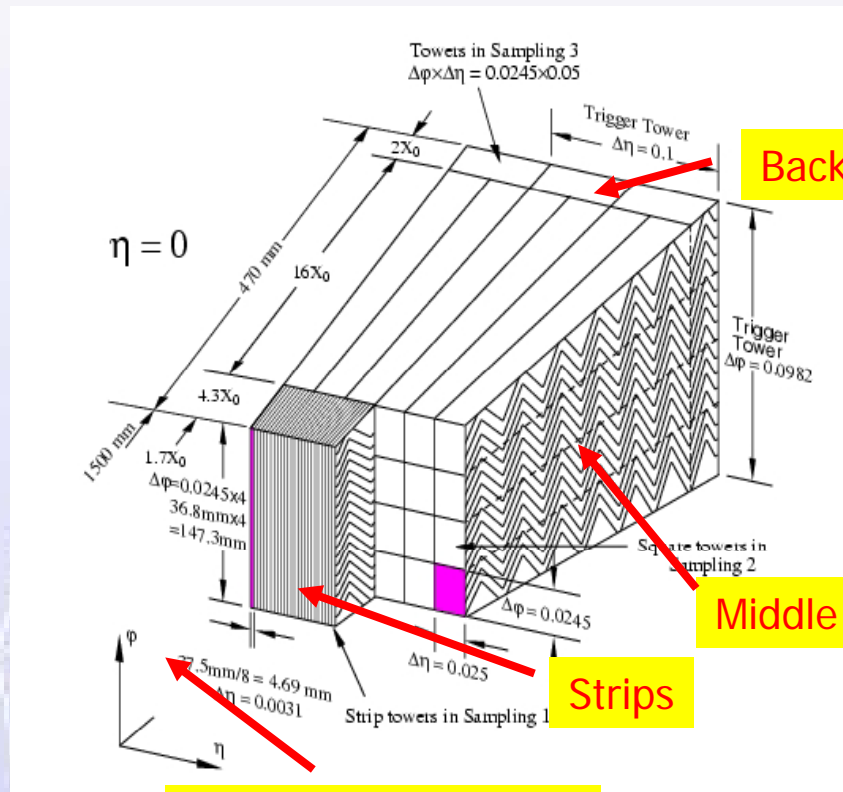
Number of expected events for 5σ discovery

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	Signal	$t\bar{t}$	Zbb	ZZ^*/γ^*
Production cross-section (NLO)	17.9×10^3	840×10^3	555×10^3	28.9×10^3
$\sigma \times \text{BR}(4 \text{ lepton final state})$	23.8	-	-	367.5
Pre-selection: $\sigma \times \text{BR} \times \epsilon$	7.39 ± 0.09	743 ± 2	390 ± 1	37.0 ± 0.4
Level-1 trigger	7.36 ± 0.09	707 ± 2	360 ± 1	36.3 ± 0.4
High Level trigger	6.82 ± 0.08	282 ± 1	237 ± 1	32.5 ± 0.4
$e^+e^- \mu^+\mu^-$ reconstructed	5.51 ± 0.07	130 ± 1	141 ± 1	24.1 ± 0.3
Vertex and impact parameter cuts	5.03 ± 0.07	18.9 ± 0.3	18.4 ± 0.2	21.5 ± 0.3
Isolation cuts	4.92 ± 0.07	5.1 ± 0.1	12.3 ± 0.2	21.3 ± 0.3
Lepton p_T cuts	4.78 ± 0.07	1.93 ± 0.09	1.78 ± 0.06	18.7 ± 0.3
Z mass window cuts	4.45 ± 0.07	0.15 ± 0.03	0.12 ± 0.02	14.4 ± 0.3
Higgs mass window cuts	3.64 ± 0.06	0.006 ± 0.005	0.006 ± 0.003	1.61 ± 0.09
Expected events for $\int \mathcal{L} = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	36.4 ± 0.6	0.06 ± 0.05	0.06 ± 0.03	16.1 ± 0.9

SM Higgs Search $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



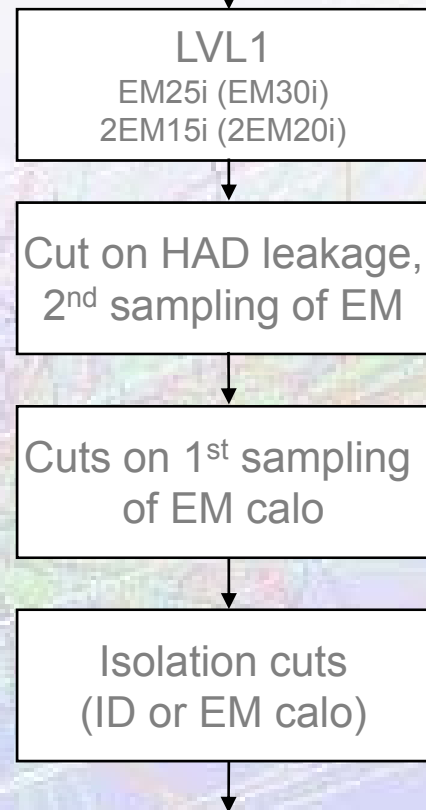
Presampler in front

Photons direction corrected for PV

Low luminosity:

η from strips and middle calorimeter
 Z_V measure from ID ($\sigma_z = 40 \mu\text{m}$)

γ candidate



Rejects jets with high energy pions and wide showers

Rejects jets with one or more p^0 , h, ...

Rejects low multiplicity p^0 jets

High luminosity:

Photons direction obtained with calorimeter information only
 crucial role for fine η segmented

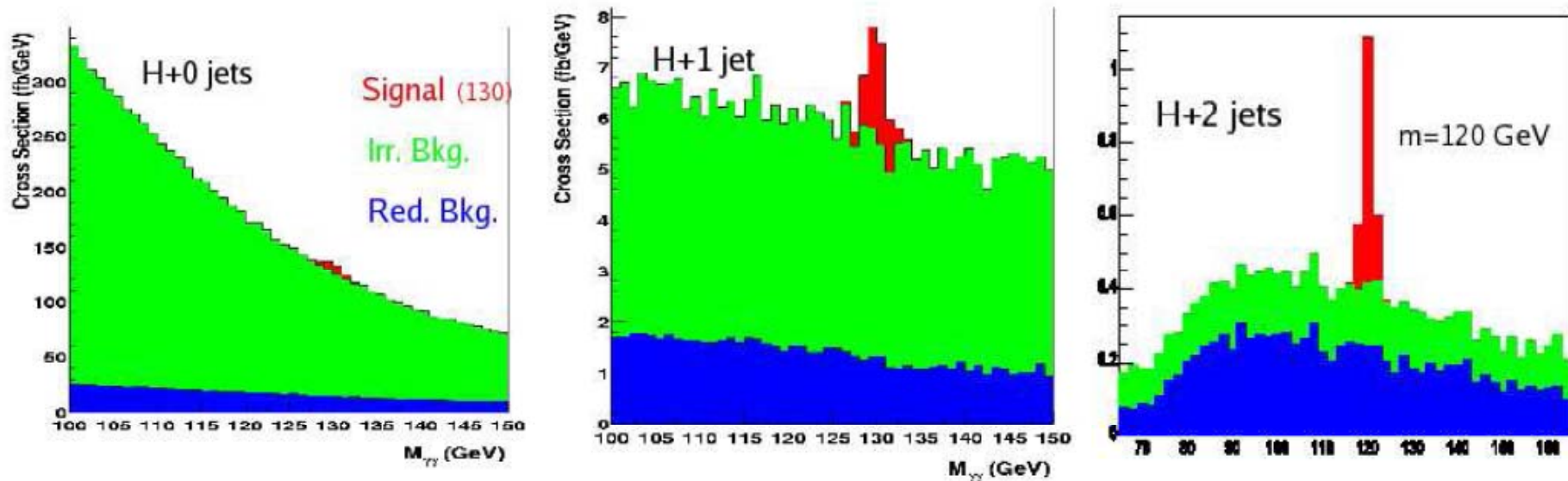
SM Higgs Search $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma + n \text{ jets}$

H + 0 jets from $gg \rightarrow H$.

H + 1 jet at NLO, plus VBF production with one lost jet.

H + 2 jets from VBF.

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With the use of different jet configurations

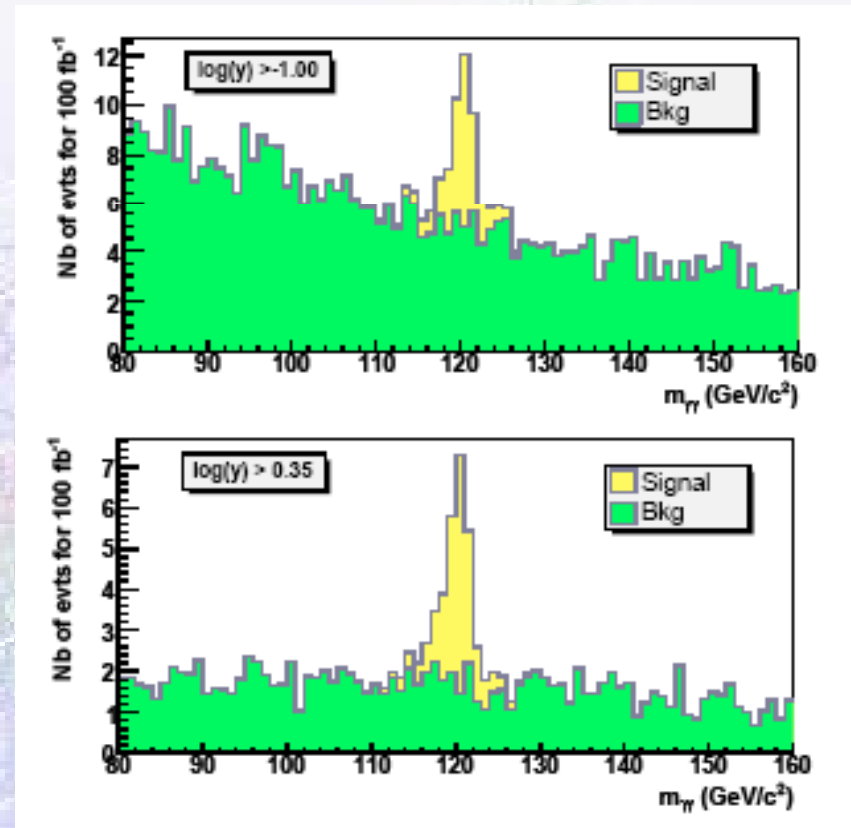
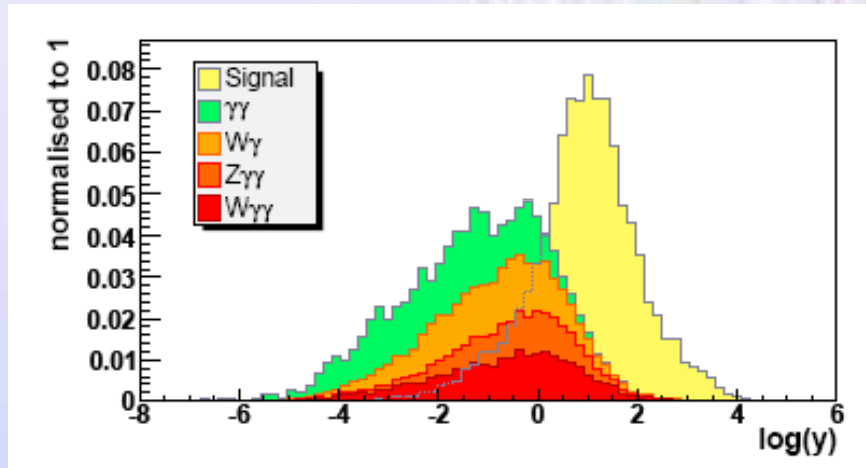
- the signal is decreased
- but the S/\sqrt{B} is increased

SM Higgs Search W(Z)H ($H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$)

CMS

Variables used in likelihood analysis of CMS

- transverse energy of the photons and of the lepton
- the ΔR distances between lepton and each photon
- the missing transverse energy
- the angle between the directions of the missing transverse energy and of the highest E_T photon.



Significance for 100 fb^{-1}

m_H (GeV/c^2)	working point $\log(y) >$	significance	WH	ZH	$W\gamma\gamma$	$Z\gamma\gamma$	$W\gamma$	$\gamma\gamma$	γ -jet	$t\bar{t}$	$b\bar{b}$
115	0.41	4.30 σ	22.1	1.8	49.3	30.9	33.0	10.2	1.7	0.16	10×10^{-5}
120	0.35	4.09 σ	20.7	1.6	51.2	36.2	34.5	12.4	1.9	0.15	10×10^{-5}
130	0.68	3.64 σ	14.6	1.3	30.7	16.9	18.7	6.0	1.4	0.10	4×10^{-5}
140	0.99	3.35 σ	11.4	1.0	18.9	10.3	10.6	3.7	1.0	0.04	1×10^{-5}
150	0.83	2.87 σ	10.4	0.9	20.2	11.7	12.3	5.4	1.1	0.03	3×10^{-5}

MSSM Higgs search bbH ($H \rightarrow \mu\mu$)

Small branching fraction, $BR(H \rightarrow \mu\mu) \sim 10^{-4}$ but good mass resolution, $\sim 1-2\%$

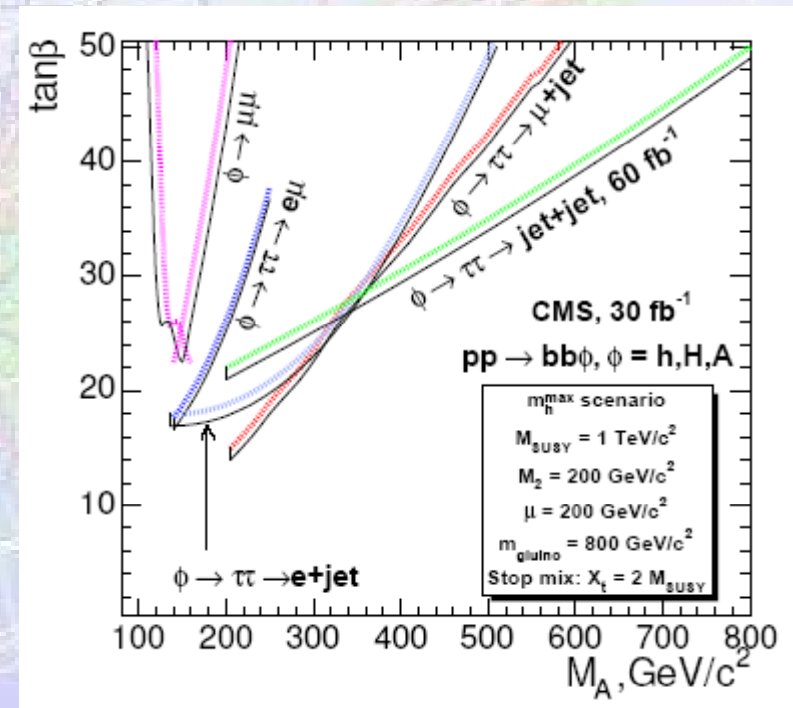
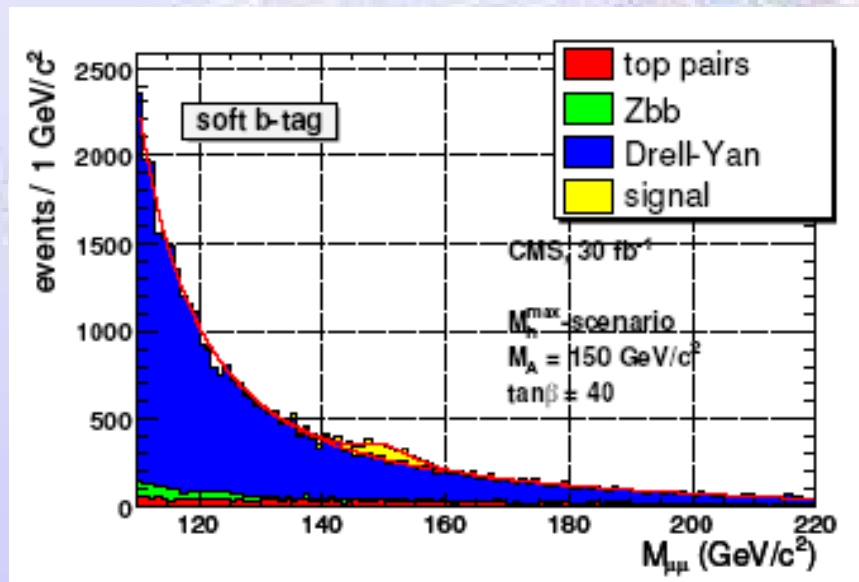
Irreducible bkg: $bb\mu\mu$

Reducible bkgs: $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$, $t\bar{t}$

Event Selection

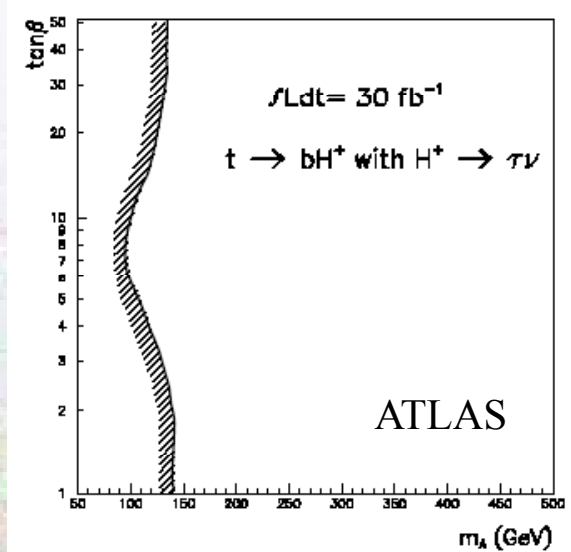
b tagging

isolation, MET, jet veto

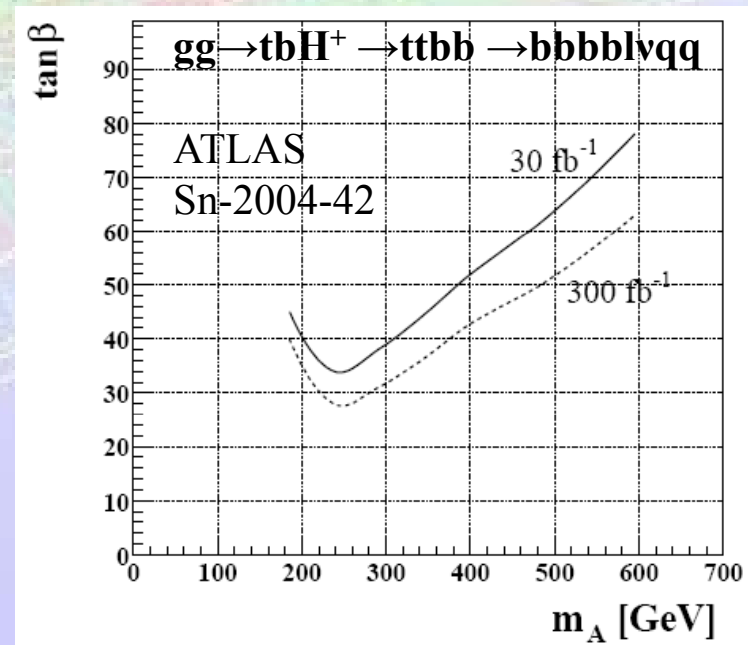
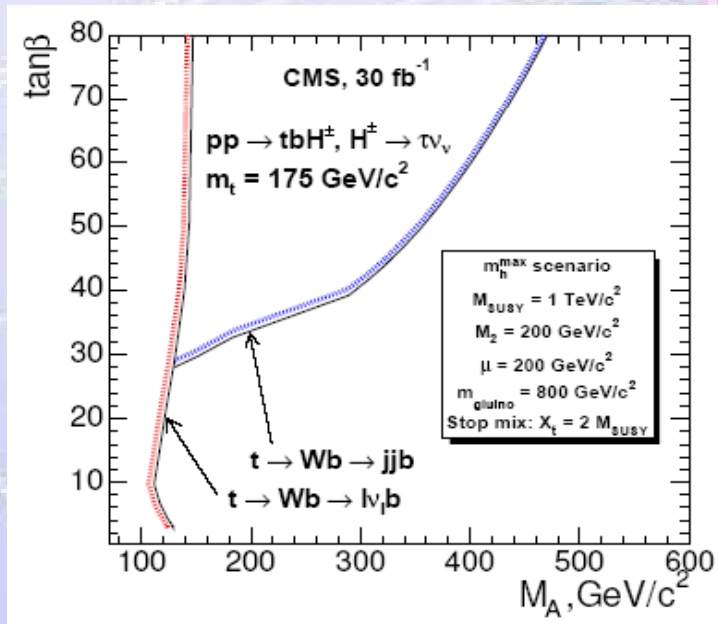


MSSM Higgs search tbH^+ ($H \rightarrow \tau\nu$)

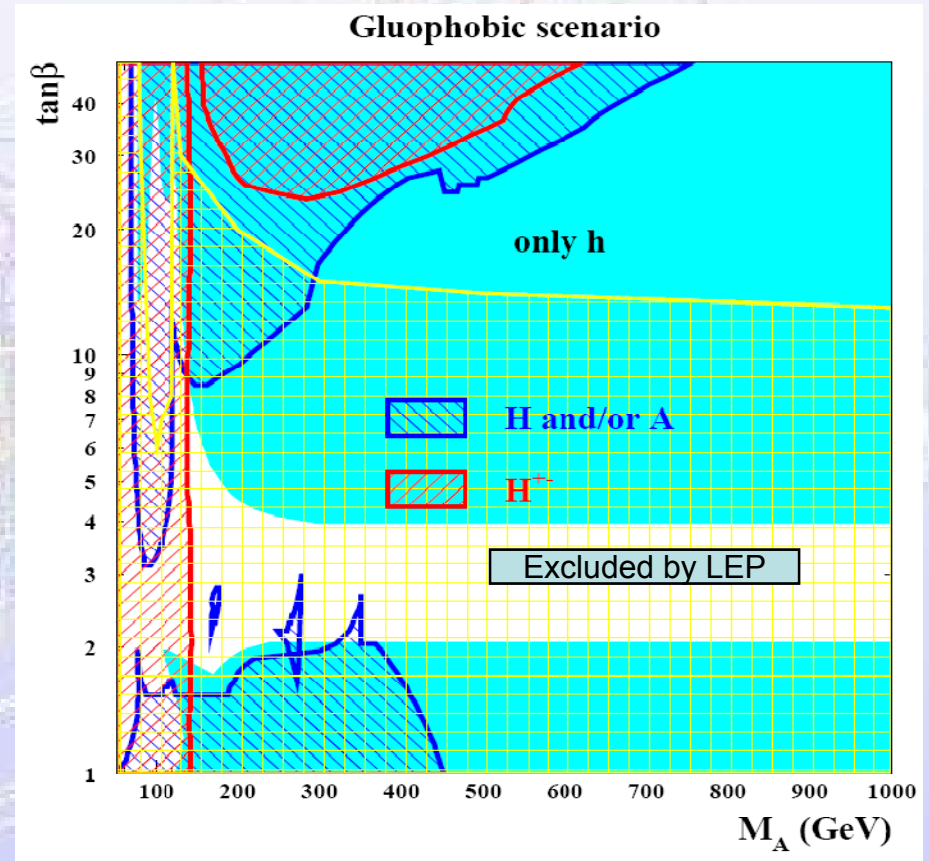
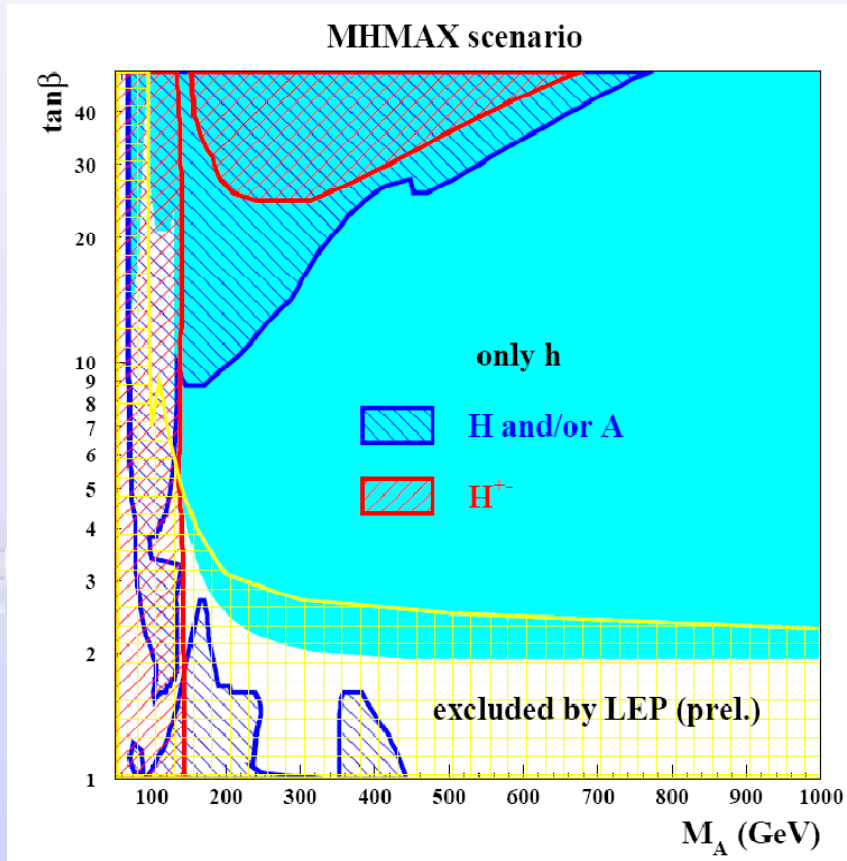
- $t \rightarrow bH^+ \rightarrow b\tau\nu$
- $pp \rightarrow tbH^+ \rightarrow wb\tau\nu \rightarrow jjbb\tau\nu$
- $pp \rightarrow tbH^+ \rightarrow wb\tau\nu \rightarrow lvbb\tau\nu$
- $pp \rightarrow tbH^+ \rightarrow ttbb \rightarrow bbbbl\nu qq$



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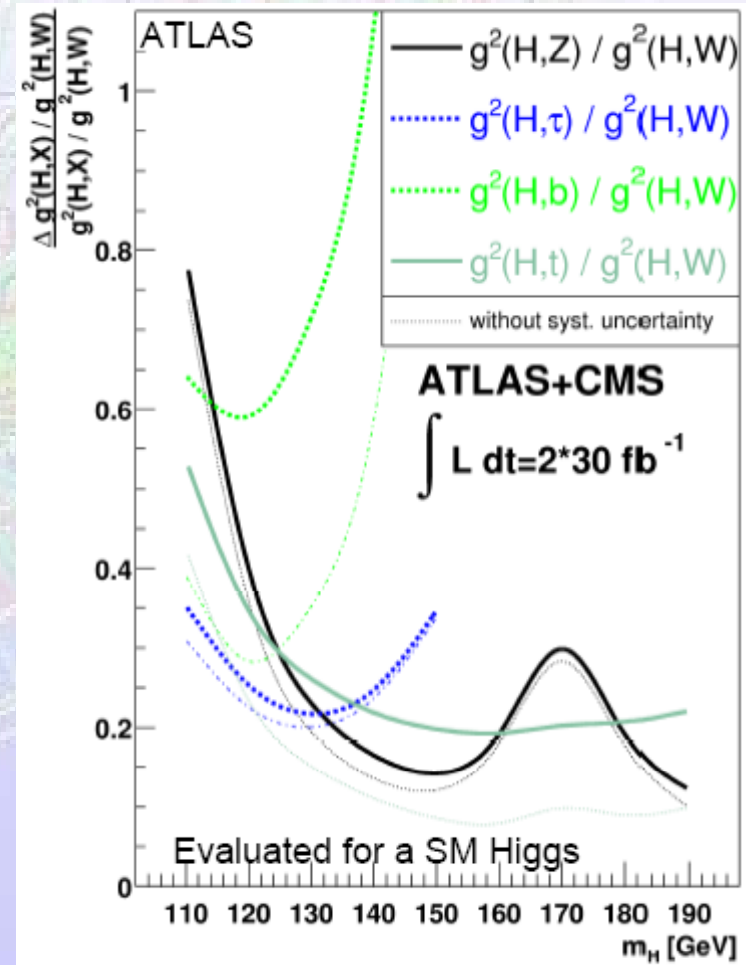
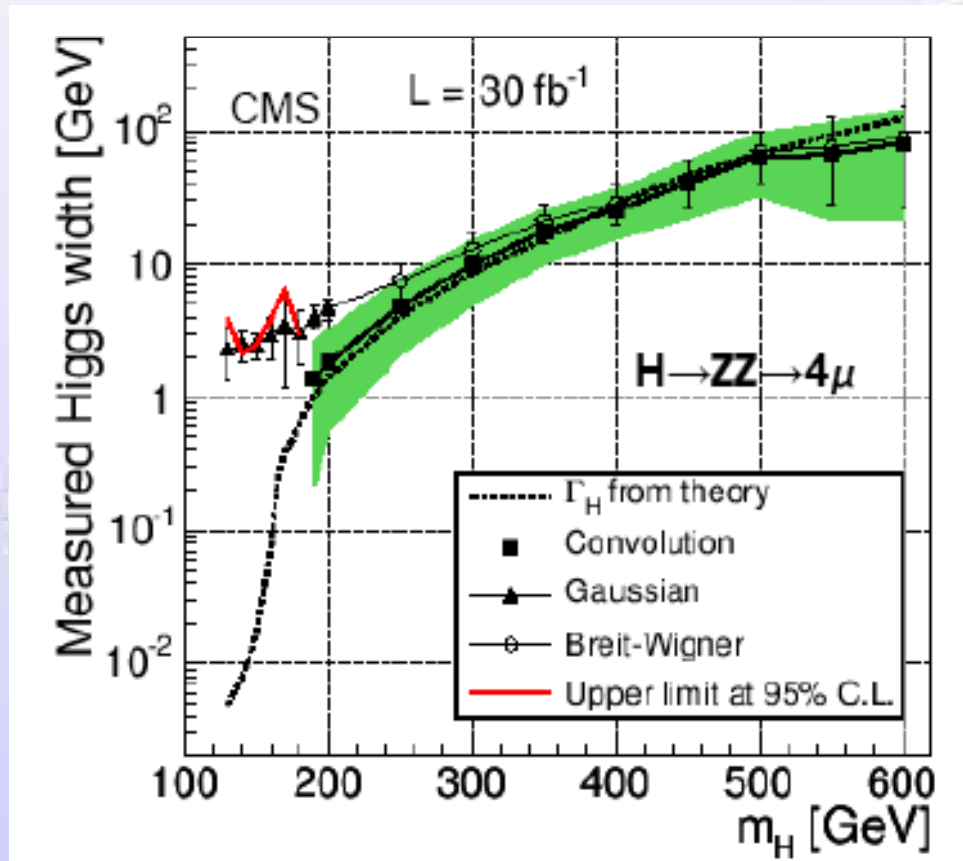
MSSM Higgs search – Overall sensitivity



Higgs Parameters – Width

Detector resolutions are of the order of 1 GeV

Can't measure the width of a SM Higgs Boson directly for $m_H < 200$ GeV

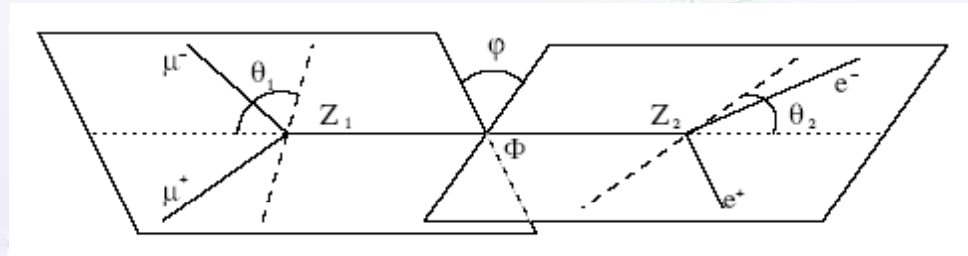


Higgs Parameters – spin, CP

H → 4 leptons

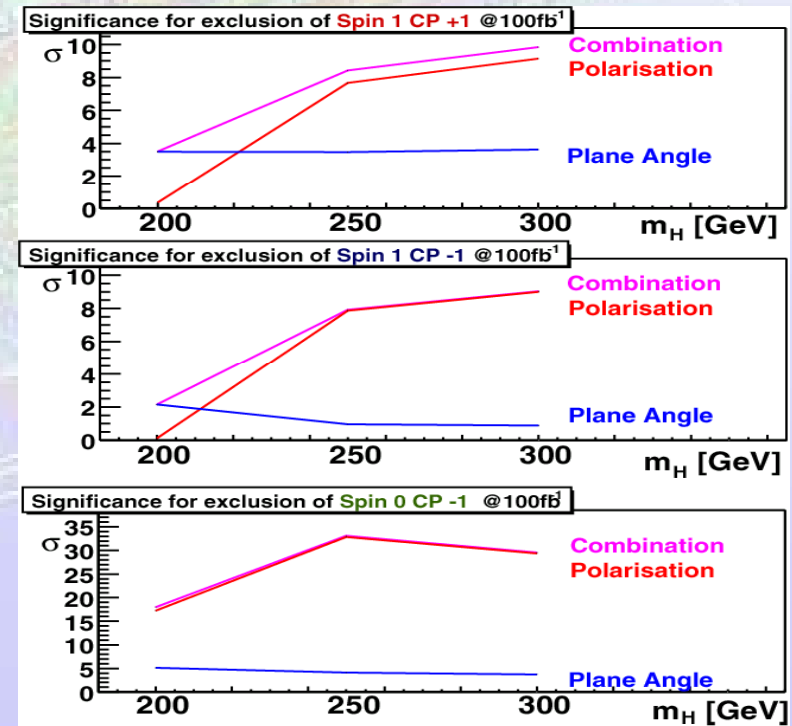
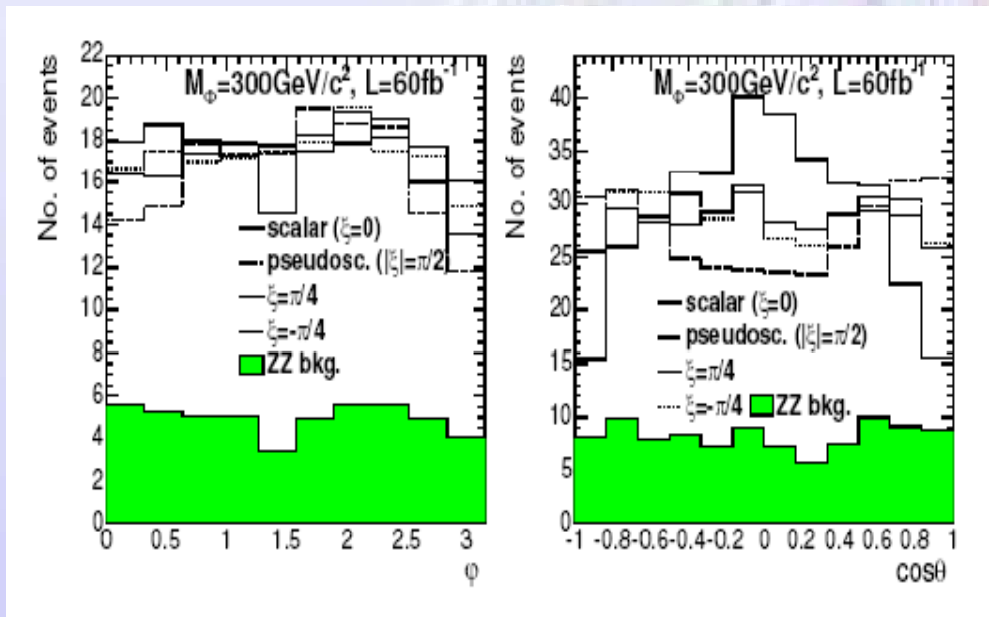
φ : Z decay planes angle

θ : Z polarization



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Higgs Parameters – Couplings to Weak Bosons

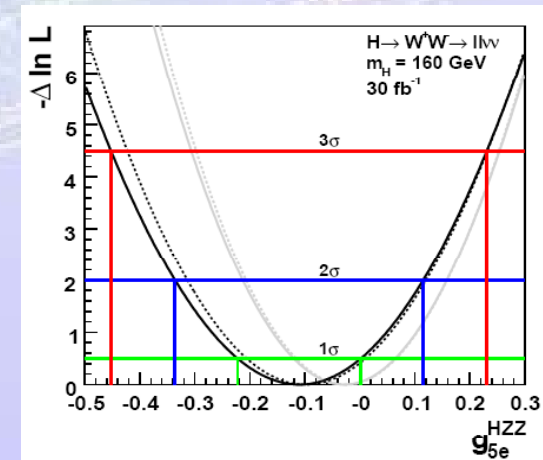
VBF $H \rightarrow WW, H \rightarrow \tau\tau$

$\Delta\phi_{jj}$: azimuthal angle of tag jets

Determination of the dominant coupling term

integrated luminosity, hypothesis tested		probability for		
		$> 5\sigma$	$< 5\%$	
$H \rightarrow W^+W^- \rightarrow ll\nu\nu$ 10 fb ⁻¹	CPE	59%	100%	
	CPO	35%	98%	
	30 fb ⁻¹	CPE	100%	100%
		CPO	100%	100%
$H \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$ combined 30 fb ⁻¹	CPE	2%	68%	
	CPO	0%	52%	

Put limits on anomalous couplings



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